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(letters)

Spoiled by Luxury

The seemingly never-ending series of attacks in your letters column on a tiny percentage of the population (transsexuals) by a fragment of what is itself a small minority of the population as a whole (lesbians), makes me question whether people in the Bay Area haven't been spoiled by the luxury of being able to engage in such ineffectualizing behavior, relatively free from the incredibly oppressive society most of us in the rest of America exist in on a day-to-day basis. I also wonder if all that hair-splitting isn't the result of living lives so cut off from the web of life, of which we are but a part, that some have lost all sense of wonderment and awe of the magic of our lives in their eagerness to feel put-upon and outraged by the existence of people who are patently no threat whatsoever to them.

While the isolation inherent in living in the wilds of Washington's Olympic Peninsula leaves me little opportunity to partake of such benefits of gay culture, it does afford me ample time to observe, contemplate and listen to my fellow beings here and what they have to teach, one lesson of which I offer to your readers and particularly to Kate Bornstein in light of the self-abnegating article ("A Plan for Peace," *SF Bay Times*, Dec. 3) she wrote to you:

To be a fish is a fine thing, to be swimming in the sea. To be a puffin swimming with the fish is not less fine a thing, nor should the fish complain the sea is solely theirs because they cannot fly. The sea is puffin's home.

To be a bird—that, too, is a fine thing, to be flying in the sky. To be a puffin flying with the birds is not less fine a thing, nor should the birds complain the air is theirs because they cannot burrow 'neath the ground. The air is puffin's home.

To be a rabbit or a mole—these both are fine things, too. To be a puffin, tunneling through the earth to build a nest is no less fine a thing; nor should the earth belong more to the one than to the other because the puffin also flies and swims. The land is puffin's home.

Puffin has a home in all three worlds and who but puffin can tell the fish who swim the sea of life among the birds and moles and know whereof they speak? And who but puffin do the rabbits have to tell them of the briny deep? And who but puffin can the birds rely upon to tell the others what it means to fly?

Margaret Deirdre O'Hartigan
Washington

No More Witch-hunts!

An Open Letter to Kate Bornstein:

Like most who attend "women only" events and many who've participated in the *Bay Times* discussion, I am neither a transsexual nor a lesbian separatist. I have had friends with each label though, who have enriched my life greatly. Interestingly, I've also known men and straight married women who were formerly lesbian separatists.

I seriously wonder why, in your article of Dec. 3 ("A Plan for Peace,"), you give so much weight to the exclusionist minority. Their arguments appear from the letters to be largely fueled by ignorance, hate and fear. Surely you know that some of them want to eliminate you not just from gatherings of lesbian separatists but anywhere and everywhere they can. You seem to agree with them that transsexual women have begun a war by your very existence as women in an extremely bigendered culture. You are free to not join in, but like them you're telling me to be segregated, which I don't appreciate. Instead, please join lesbians and other progressive transgenderists in demanding an end to character assassinations, invasion of privacy, slander campaigns, censorship, beatings and dehumanizing, backhanded communication and non-communication on the part of the transphobes.

As you know, transsexed, intersexed, crossdressed, and non-transgendered women share women's space daily in restrooms, jails, bridge clubs, beauty shops, homeless shelters, spas, office pools, assembly lines, music groups, lesbian bars, 12-step meetings, reading rooms, etc. We all have a right to do so free of harassment. Those women who are unable or unwilling to respectfully mind their own business, and want to request other "non-transsexual women only" or "genetically pure female" events, must follow some ethical guidelines for doing so. These might apply to private social gatherings, certain athletic competitions, special therapy groups, unusual cultural presentations. And the Michigan Women's Music Festival, though it may be privately owned, is not a private party.

No More Witch-hunts!
Marie Kochaver
Oakland

A Lack of Respect

After living in San Francisco for about a year, hanging out in most of the different neighborhoods, reading the local papers, meeting people, seeing things, etc., I now completely love this city.

Coming from a small town back east where you buy one newspaper, shop at one store, go to one church and the entire town shares one brain cell, I was amazed at the freedom I saw for everyone to be themselves. I know it's not perfect, but you try going out to Bumfuck, N.J., and dye your hair purple or wear a ring in your nose. You'll see what I mean.

Anyway, what brings me to write is what seems like a serious lack of gratitude and respect for others in this town. I'm all for speaking out when you believe you have good reason and standing up for yourself. We have a lot of strength in numbers here and with effort you can be heard. And maybe I'm looking at things with small-town eyes but I think there are better ways to express yourself than a raging hissy fit in someone's face when they say something you don't like or a hateful letter to the editor over the slightest perceived injustice.

Many of us moved here for the freedom to be ourselves and be accepted as we are. A big part of that is accepting others as they are. I don't want to sound too much like Dolly Parton here but it does take fewer muscles to smile than to frown (causes less wrinkles too).

Ron Cushlanis
San Francisco

It's Up to the Mayor

An open letter to Mayor Jordan:

Two very important resolutions regarding the welfare of the lesbian and gay community will soon be placed before you for consideration. We in the Harvey Milk Progressive Democratic Club, advocating lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender civil rights, urge you to support a partial divestment from Bank of America and a city-imposed boycott of Colorado.

A veto of either of these two resolutions will, quite frankly, create an irreparable rift between the lesbian and gay community and yourself. We realize you have worked hard to mend fences with us since the Oct. 6, 1989, sweep of the Castro.

However, a veto of the Boy Scouts/Bank of America resolution will be interpreted as a blatant endorsement of bigotry by your administration. Perhaps even worse, your failure to support a boycott against Colorado would mean that San Francisco is not even as supportive of lesbian and gay rights as Atlanta or Philadelphia. That would be contrary to the spirit of this wonderful city and a betrayal of its legacy.

It is of considerable concern to the executive board that you may initially view these resolutions as symbolic or otherwise not connected to life in San Francisco. We cannot stress enough our disagreement with such a position. The passage of Amendment 2 in Colorado has emboldened the fundamentalist right. Its leaders have announced plans to carry out similar assaults on lesbian and gay rights in a number of states, California among them. If we do not stop them now with a clear message via Colorado, we will have to stop them later at a much greater cost. Victories such as the one they enjoyed over the Bank of America flip-flop also give them encouragement.

We in the Harvey Milk Club implore you not to veto these two pieces of legislation. Do not let a few of the most conservative members of our community mislead you. We have nearly universal support for these measures, the logical result of a community-wide sense of fairness.

The Executive Board of Harvey Milk
Progressive Democratic Club

***Editor's Note:** After this letter was written, the Mayor gave our community the special holiday gift of a veto on the Board resolution.*

Strategy Against the Bigots

The gay, lesbian and bisexual communities need to adopt a different perspective on, and strategy against, the attacks and hostility emanating from the religious right and its allies.

Our objective should *not* be to trash those we perceive as bigots; instead, we should use every opportunity to elicit from them the underlying principles of their arguments against us and then show the natural, inevitable progression of their reasoning. Here are a few examples:

We now are in a position to identify a list of careers and professions which, according to the religious right, should not be open to the gay community. The essential thrust of their argument is that we should be prohibited from being in positions where:

(1) We can influence youth and perhaps recruit them into a gay lifestyle;

(2) We could serve as role models, i.e., by virtue of our success, reputation or fame we might cause folks to adopt positive attitudes and opinions about our worth as human beings as well as the contributions we make to society;

(3) We might (to use a recent, memorable description) expose people to our "filthy, disease-ridden lifestyle."

Examples of *verboten* options in each of the above categories, respectively:

(1) Teachers, counselors, psychologists, boy/girl scout leaders, day-care workers, babysitters, creat ors or performers of youth-oriented entertainment.

(2) Any field of endeavor which might cause someone to notice our accomplishments but particularly high-profile work such as: actors, writers, professional athletes, musicians, singers, artists, radio/TV personalities, politicians, clergy, etc.

(3) Doctors, nurses, dentists, paramedics, police and fire personnel, members of the armed services, restaurant workers, construction workers; i.e., anywhere that we might bleed on someone if injured in the course of our work.

Given this illustrative sampling, we should ask our opponents to enumerate the specific jobs they think gays, lesbians and bisexuals should be permitted to hold without objection or opposition. Then, we should pose this question: Since gays will deliberately be denied their "right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" by severe restrictions on their access to satisfying, gainful work opportunities; and since the religious right et al. also want to deny gays eligibility for government grants (NEA, for example); and, furthermore, since gays should not have explicit governmental protection against employment and housing discrimination—then, isn't it logical and just that the gay community should be exempt from *all* income, sales and property taxes because we will not be eligible to participate in our national life in the manner or to the extent open to other Americans?

Next question: If, as the religious right contends, the gay community's lifestyle is "sinful" and an "abomination" before God, then kindly explain why gays, lesbians and bisexuals should be permitted to vote or run for political office.

Also, since the religious right believes that AIDS is "God's punishment" for gay behavior, we should ask their spokespersons several brutally blunt questions:

Do you oppose efforts at finding a cure since any remedial effort seeks to thwart the "will of God"? Most infants who have AIDS are Black. Why is God using babies to express his wrath against adults? Is there any limit to the percentage of Blacks that God will "give" AIDS to? Blacks comprise about 12 percent of our population but account for twice that percentage of HIV carriers. Does that mean God is uniquely angry with Blacks and is singling them out for special punishment to show his displeasure?

By asking these questions and eliciting from members of the religious right the full scope of their beliefs, we will dramatically expand our circle of allies beyond what would otherwise develop simply as a consequence of protesting against and haranguing them as mean-spirited, because the fullness of their perspective is dangerous not just to the gay community but to everyone unlucky enough to be perceived by the religious right as less than perfect moral beings, which encompasses most of humanity.

Ernie Lazar
San Francisco

Anti-Boycott

Recently there has been a lot of comment in the gay/lesbian press about the passage of Colorado's Amendment 2. The suggestion of a boycott of Colorado has been made, and in fact, some of our more renowned community members, Armistead Maupin in particular, have canceled appearances there. I have been a staunch supporter of monetary boycotts since non-union grapes and Coors beer, but with the Colorado boycott I began to see a flaw. It is appropriate for us queers to withhold our money from that state, and that includes artists. What I would like to suggest is that the artists remember that queer people still live in Colorado, and probably need these artists more than ever. Perhaps Mr. Maupin could have sent a video of one of his talks, or a batch of signed books ("To those brave gays and lesbians in Colorado, love ya, Armistead"). Maybe other artists can find creative ways to enter the state without leaving too much cash, while still reaching their audience. I am afraid that in our rush to "do the right thing" we may have forgotten our sisters and brothers.

Debra Miller
Palo Alto

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1993: The Year of the Queer "How do you feel about that?"

Compiled by Val C. Phoenix & Tommi Avicolli Mecca

The Freedom Day '93 Committee recently declared "Year of the Queer" the theme for the June 1993 annual gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender parade in San Francisco, one of the largest events of its type anywhere in the country.

Given the controversial nature of the word "queer," *SF Bay Times* decided, as we enter this new year, to ask a sampling of folks in the community what they think of "Year of the Queer" and how they see the new year shaping up. Note that group affiliations are listed for identification purposes only; they do not reflect the opinions of those organizations. Individuals are speaking strictly for themselves.

John Woods
Founder, Queer Scouts
I say that it's about time. I think it's an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of the queer activist movement over the last three years. Obviously, I think it's fabulous, it's great.

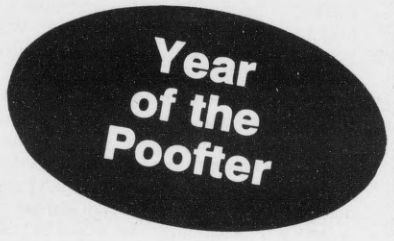
Elana Dykewomon
Editor, *Sinister Wisdom*
Twenty-five years ago "queer" was the only word I had for myself and the womyn I loved. Its reappearance now, while offering snappy slogans, once again subsumes womyn into a primarily male-defined group. I hope 1993 will be a year when dykes reclaim all of our *own* names.

Jesse Cortes
Gay Asian Pacific Alliance
I see nothing wrong in using the word "queer." But the phrase itself is dumb. What does it mean? They've had concept phrases before. This is kind of like a label. But I have no problem with the word "queer."

Angie Fa
SF School Board
I think it's a great idea. It's hard to limit it to one year. We should claim the '90s as our decade. We need to ensure that the needs of lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender youth are met, especially young people of color. I think visibility is really going to make a difference to young people coming out. It's important that the young people growing up in SF—because of what the city means—have the support they need from the rest of the community in order to build the kinds of futures that they're entitled to. The past year we've already brought democracy back to the streets of San Francisco and gotten rid of a police chief who showed contempt for the rights of our community. We've already won some incredible victories and I think the rest of the decade can be just as good.

Phyllis Lyon and Del Martin
Authors, *Lesbian/Woman*
Right now, we are the center of national attention. We have major support for the boycott against Colorado. More women and minorities in Congress brings more co-sponsors for the gay rights bill and votes for funding for AIDS research and services. President Bill Clinton will see that the ban on lesbians and gays in the military is lifted. We have a lot going for us. Let's not blow it.

Tom Ammiano
Comic; SF School Boardmember
I like it a lot. It empowers a word that was used as a pejorative. Besides, it rhymes. I live for iambic pentameter.



Anne Ogborn
Transsexual activist
Great. To the bashers, we're all queer. I think the Year of the Queer is a way the movement has recognized that none of us is free until all of us are free. We cannot march forward when transgendered people, bisexuals, drags and leatherfolk are still oppressed. This isn't "them or us." It's "not *them* means not *us*." We are all now having to divert energy to close gaps created when transsexuals and other "unacceptable" people were ejected from the movement in the '70s. If we wait, that gap will only grow. Gays and lesbians—we're here, we're queer, and for your own sakes, get used to us!

Desi Del Valle
Filmmaker
I like it and I don't like it. I don't like it because I don't like the use of the term "queer" as an attempt to be all-inclusive. It's the same thing that "gay" did. It means white males, no matter how all-inclusive you try to be. It leaves somebody out. What I like about it is that it's defiant, it's in-your-face. I think of myself as queer. But I don't go around calling myself "queer," because lesbians get lost in the shuffle.

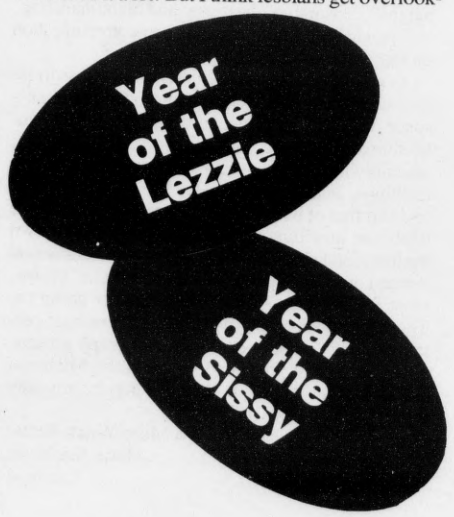
Karl Knapper
March on Washington
I don't really feel one way or another about it. I don't hate it. The word "queer" doesn't bug me. If people who were part of the general body [of the march organizing committee] wanted it, it's fine by me.

Leigh Crow
Aka Elvis Herselvis
I'm just looking for the division to end between gays and lesbians and for all my sisters and brothers to walk hand in hand. Oh, and better clubs in the Castro. I'd also like to see all queers quit their day jobs.

Abby Abinanti
National Center for Lesbian Rights
I think it's gonna be an odd year, because we're gonna see a lot of advances made, and at the same time we'll be fighting over basics, like we'll have to do in Colorado. I expect there will be... more domestic partner advances in public and private entities. I think the military ban will be gone, and we'll see advances in state legislatures regarding basic rights. When I hear "queer," at that point I think of advances. I think we're gonna see sort of an unprecedented growth.

Johnny Kat
Performer
If anything, it's probably the year of hypocrisy. I hear a lot of people out there shouting "queer! queer!" but I don't see anybody actually doing anything. There's so much division in our so-called community. Basically, you have to put your money where your mouth is. I work in the Castro. I just don't see it. There's no sense of community. I'd like to see the Castro community open up more to women, transgenders and the art community. The whole community is stale and generic. There are so many issues that tie into the community problem. Once we start acting like a community, then we can call ourselves a community. There's a lot to look forward to with the so-called change going on, but I can't see it happening in just one year.

Corva Radici
Bay Area Sicilian & Italian American Lesbians
I'm glad. The other thing is as a lesbian I know I'm a member of the queer community. Lately I've used it a lot. But I think lesbians get overlook-







ed in it. I guess the way I see it, queer can mean almost anything. Whatever happened to "lesbians and gay men?" Lesbians are very different than gay men. A lot about lesbians is being overlooked. But I really love the word, it rhymes with a lot.

Peggy Sue
Activist

On a citywide level, I hope Frank Jordan gets his shit together. I'm upset that we have this Reagan-esque figure for a mayor. He's a bumbling moron and he scares me. I hope no more queers get beaten up by cops. I hope this Ribera guy is not a blatant lunatic homophobe like I've heard. I hope people from all the Rodney King demonstrations take the city for every penny they have. All that bullshit about the parade name is a lot of hooey. All those dumb closeted people who don't like the Q-word can go fuck themselves and go to somebody else's parade. On a personal level, I hope I have a lot more sex.

Year of the Bulldagger

Year of the Maricon

Gerard Palmeri
March on Washington

I think it might actually be the Year of the Queer for a couple of reasons. The March on Washington is going to be one of the highlights of the year. But, later in the year, as Clinton gets settled into office, we can present lots of issues in a more constructive way than in the past. When George Bush was in office, we had to present ideas in a way that was very defensive, instead of in a positive way. Later, in November, we could be fighting against Lou Sheldon again. We are going to be the issue for a long time to come. I'm so enthused about the way the last three months have gone—first of all with the election—but we've had so much support for queer rights, even from the backlash against the Colorado amendment. It's not going out on a limb for people in the public eye to support queer rights anymore. When you start pushing things, a lot of good things can happen. When you say Year of the Queer, you say, "yes, we are the issue now."

Year of the Homosexual

Lynn Breedlove
Tribe 8

With Tribe 8, I feel we're on the crest of a revolution. The revolution is starting to happen in people's hearts and minds. Wherever we played, people were listening to us and open to us as queers. It just seemed to me like a less bigoted attitude. I just hope that this is an indicator of things to come. The actual revolution—the overthrow of the government—isn't gonna happen right now, and it may never happen. The most we can hope for is a grassroots revolution—a revolution girl-style kind of movement—where communities are getting together and creating their own kind of workspace or women's hangout space. Then you have pockets of anarchy within the total bullshit patriarchal system. Like with Tribe 8, we sing about our dyke reality and our dyke anger. It's about being fed up, angry and changing the status quo. People's attitudes are changed by the music they hear and the art they witness. Once people's attitudes are changed, then the system can be changed.

Patrick Fitzgerald
"Queer-on-the-street" type of guy

I think it's great. I used to get angry at people who'd write to the papers complaining about this word. But then I realized, there are queers and there are gays and there are homosexuals. These people are homosexuals—the people writing the letters. They're not particularly thrilled with their attraction to other men. They're cranky and upset. They benefit from the stuff queer activists do. But [Year of the Queer] is one big, flaming acknowledgment that queers are leading the movement.

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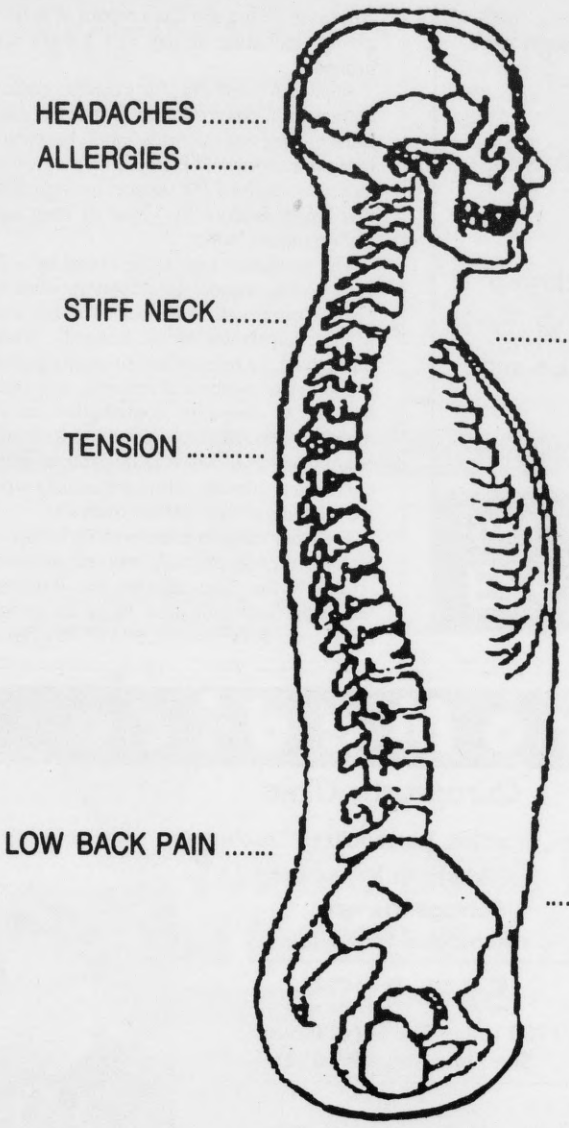
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Merry Xmas: Jordan Vetoes BofA Resolution

SAN FRANCISCO - In an expected move that ironically came on Christmas Eve, Mayor Frank Jordan vetoed Supervisor Roberta Achtenberg's resolution calling on the City to divest $6 million from the Bank of America because of its continued funding of the Boy Scouts of America, an organization with a stated policy of excluding gays.

The $6 million represents only a fraction of the $2.5 billion Bank of America handles for the City.

Said Jordan in his veto statement, "The Bank of America has shown itself to be an outstanding corporate citizen that has a record of major gift-giving, including to gay and lesbian interest groups."

Replied Achtenberg, "It's condescending and outrageous of Mayor Jordan to state that since the Bank of America has made some charitable contributions to gay and lesbian interest groups that they are absolved for supporting organizations that harm children by virtue of their explicit discriminatory policy."

The resolution passed the board by a 7-to-3 vote. Voting against the resolution were supervisors Tom Hsieh, Annemarie Conroy and Bill Maher. Supervisor Willie Kennedy, who said throughout the recent election campaign that she supported the symbolic divestment, and who gave her BofA campaign contribution to AIDS organizations, was not present for the vote. The board needs eight votes to override a veto. It is unknown at this time whether Kennedy will provide the eighth vote for the override.

The other variable in the override is Supervisor Harry Britt, who officially retires from the board on Jan. 8, four days after the Jan. 4 meeting at which the veto will most likely be discussed. Britt's aide, Katie Dwight, told *SF Bay Times* that "if Roberta has seven votes lined up, including Willie Kennedy, Harry will come in to override the veto. Otherwise, there's no sense in his coming in. It's all riding on what Willie Kennedy is doing." Britt was one of the seven votes for the resolution.

John Woods, founder of Queer Scouts, the organization that first took on the Boy Scouts, said that Jordan's veto is "outrageous."

Added Woods, "It's the latest in a long line of homophobic acts by the mayor—everything from his role in the Castro Sweep to his manipulation of the AB101 riots for his political gain to this latest thing."

Woods said that a demonstration will be held on Jan. 11 at the first supervisors' meeting that includes the new board members elected in November. For info, call the Queerline at (415) 985-7141.



On Our Backs' holiday party on Dec. 17 was a hot, hot event. Photo by Jane Philomen Cleland

Queers May Get 400 Castro

SAN FRANCISCO - The Advisory Committee for the Community Usage of 400 Castro and members of the Board of Supervisors on Dec. 17 presented Bank of America with a proposal for use of its vacated building at the corner of Castro/Market.

The proposal calls for two tenants—the Life Center AIDS Clearinghouse and Golden Gate Performing Arts, Inc.—to sublease the space for the remainder of the bank's eight-year lease from the Bob Lurie (of the Giants) Corporation. Life Center will sublease for three years; Golden Gate for five.

"I feel confident that the proposal we put forward is solid and consistent with the City's efforts to consolidate AIDS services," said Supervisor Terence Hallinan, who spearheaded the effort to find a tenant for the building, which sits at what many consider the "gateway to the Castro." The other supervisors who aided the effort are Roberta Achtenberg, Carole Migden and Harry Britt.

Said BofA's Dan Costello, executive vice president at the corporate real estate division, "We support the concept, but we must first agree on details regarding specific uses of the property and the sublease agreement." Negotiations are under way.

John Woods, co-chair of the Advisory Committee, said, "All indications seem positive. I think both sides want a speedy resolution and signing of the contract."

Colorado Boycott Gains Momentum

DENVER - The Boycott Colorado effort is growing, with more and more organizations and individuals jumping on the bandwagon. Add Whoopi Goldberg, Joan Rivers, the City of San Francisco, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the *New York Times*, the U.S. Conference of Mayors and the Minnesota State Democratic Party to the list of those endorsing the boycott.

The Boycott Colorado effort follows in the wake of the passage of Amendment 2, a statewide initiative which nixes all current gay rights laws and prohibits any such future laws. Three cities—Aspen, Denver and Boulder—have gay rights laws which would be invalidated by the initiative. A court challenge has been filed, with Aspen resident Martina Navratilova as one of the plaintiffs.

The SF Board of Supervisors on Dec. 21 voted unanimously to join New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Atlanta and Los Angeles, among others, in imposing economic sanctions against the state of Colorado. San Francisco will not fund any employee trips to Colorado or purchase products manufactured in the state.

San Francisco joins a growing number of companies and organizations canceling conventions in Colorado. That list now includes Laurel Entertainment, producer of TV mini-series; American Association of Law Libraries; National Mayors' Conference; Lotus Development and Microsoft Corporation Employees Ski Club.

The group Boycott Colorado estimates that the state has lost $25 million in revenue due to cancelations and lost business, despite the Colorado Tourism Department's insistence that the figure is $10 million. The group also reports that hate crimes against queers have skyrocketed (an 87 percent increase) since the initiative campaign began. But city police officials in Denver deny that queer bashing is up. They say they haven't seen the same numbers as the Denver gay groups report. A spokesperson for the Denver Gay and Lesbian Community Center says the conflicting figures are understandable, since not all anti-gay crimes are reported to the police.

Citing a "shocking surge in anti-gay violence," NGLTF endorsed the boycott against Colorado. The group's acting director, Peri Jude Radecic, said that NGLTF backs the boycott "as one tactic, among others, to be used to overturn Amendment 2." As for the rise in violence, NGLTF's Anti-Violence Project Director Martin Hiraga said, "We believe this rise is directly attributable to the climate of fear and hatred created by the passage of Amendment 2."

Meanwhile, in Aspen, a city which voted 70-30 percent against Amendment 2, the newly formed Aspen Peace & Justice Center announced a Jan. 23 candlelight march and rally. Ex-major league baseball umpire Dave Pallone is one of the featured speakers.

Finally, Columbia University is sending complimentary copies of several titles from its lesbian and gay studies series "Between Men—Between Women" to public libraries throughout Colorado. The series includes Lillian Faderman's *Odd Girls and Twilight Lovers* and Gary David Comstock's *Violence Against Lesbians and Gay Men*.

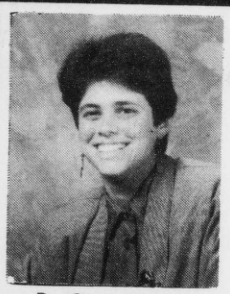
Scabs Hit Aspen Ski Slopes

ASPEN - How do you spell scab? How about Sally Field, or Kurt Russell or George Hamilton? Or, heaven forbid, *Cher*? The movie stars are just a few of the big names seen on Aspen's ski slopes over the Christmas holiday. Obviously they haven't heard about the gay boycott against the state of Colorado (see above item) or have chosen to ignore it.

Said Harley Baldwin, owner of Aspen's Caribou Club, "Our business is way up. The snow is great and the recession seems to be over. We're doing superbly."

Other performers expected for the holidays: Don Johnson, Melanie Griffith, Goldie Hawn, Robert Wagner and Jill St. John. Jack Nicholson

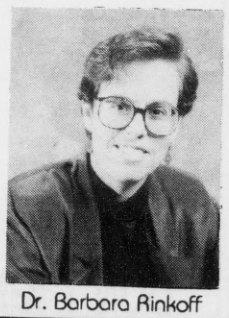
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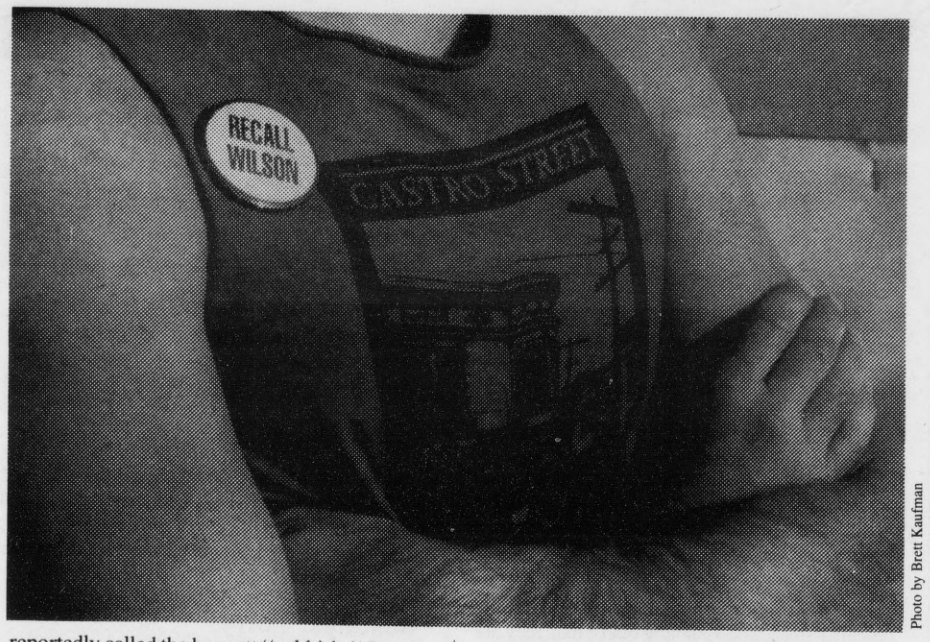


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reportedly called the boycott "rubbish." Proves that the beautiful people aren't always so beautiful.

But not all Hollywood celebs are letting bourgeois pleasure rule over good politics. Singer Liza Minnelli only stayed in Aspen a few hours, canceling an appearance at a benefit for the "Undo 2 Fund." Others who backed out of Aspen appearances include Melissa Etheridge, Barbra Streisand (the most vocal boycotter) and the infamous Kennedy clan from Massachusetts.

Tennis champ Chris Evert and hubbie Andy Mills are vacationing in Florida instead during this holiday season. And society columnist William Norwich of the New York *Post* refused to cover the goings-on in Aspen this season because of Amendment 2.

Injunction Sought Against 2

DENVER - A motion for an injunction against Amendment 2 has been filed. The injunction would prevent the anti-gay initiative from taking effect until a ruling is made on its constitutionality.

The amendment is scheduled to go into effect on Jan. 15. Said James Joy of the American Civil Liberties Union of Colorado, "One day of legal effectiveness would be one day too many." The suit against 2 was initiated and coordinated by the Colorado Legal Initiatives Project.

Scary Times I: More Initiatives in The Works

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) has identified far-right, Colorado-style initiative organizing in several states: Washington, Maine, Missouri, Idaho and Ohio.

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation/L.A. chapter and the *SF Bay Times* ("The Race Is On?" Dec. 17) have also reported on efforts by the Anaheim-based Traditional Values Coalition to spearhead a California initiative.

Said NGLTF spokesperson Robert Bray, "All 130 gay rights laws (in the country)—actually 127 when you delete those in Colorado—are vulnerable to repeal. The far right will stop at nothing. They will introduce anti-gay referenda or place its operatives on school boards and city councils to overturn gay rights."

Scary Times II: Boom Bye Bye

NEW YORK - Mercury Records has signed reggae star Buju Banton, the singer who gave the world more of what it doesn't need: homophobic lyrics that call for the killing of gay men.

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation is asking that queers send letters of protest to Mercury Records, Edward Eckstine, President, Worldwide Plaza, 825 8th Ave., New York, NY 10019.

And in case you're wondering what Buju Banton says in his homophobic dance-hall hit, "Boom Bye Bye," here's the lyrics (They certainly deserve a prominent place in the Hall of Shame. Or better yet, the trash heap.):

"Faggots have to run/Or get a bullet in the head/Bang-bang (shots) in a faggot's head/Homeboys don't condone nasty men/They must die/Two men necking/Lying in a bed/Hugging each other/And caressing one another's legs/Get an automatic or an Uzi instead/Shoot them now, let us shoot them (gunshot)."

Where's Tipper Gore when you need her the most?

Queers Can't Wear Green

BOSTON - The organizers of the annual Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade are fighting mad: they want to keep Irish queers out. And they want to stop the city and state from requiring that they let gays/lesbians/bisexuals march.

Chester Darling, attorney for parade organizers, said that "any attempt to regulate the expression of my clients...would be a violation of their First Amendment rights." Good luck. Darling's clients have two strikes against them.

The Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD) recently found probable cause to proceed with a complaint from a gay man kept from marching in last year's parade. MCAD will go forward with a hearing on the matter if a resolution isn't found by Jan. 14.

Also, the city of Boston issued the parade a con-

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ditional permit that instructs organizers to find a way to protect gay and lesbian marchers. Mayor Raymond Flynn supports a queer contingent in the parade. Darling said that his clients may go to federal court over the matter.

It took a court order to allow Irish queers to "wear the green" in last year's parade.

Librarians Have Lovers, Too

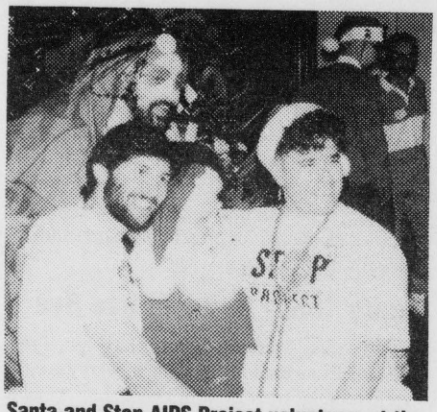
MINNEAPOLIS - The Minneapolis Commission on Civil Rights awarded three lesbians—Jane Anglin, Marie Hanson and Judith Bagan—$90,516 in compensatory and punitive damages, saying that the city and the Minneapolis Library Board discriminated against them in denying them domestic partners health benefits.

The city has 30 days to appeal the decision. The Library Board had no comment. Interestingly enough, since the commission found that the discrimination was on the basis of affectional preference, it does not apply to marital status and therefore does not cover unmarried heterosexuals.

Meet Me In St. Louis

ST. LOUIS - The city that Judy Garland immortalized in *Meet Me in St. Louis* quietly passed the country's most comprehensive gay rights law—two months ago.

It was done so quietly, in fact, that even the straight press didn't pick up the story until the *Gay News-Telegraph* did a piece in its Dec. 3 issue. The law prohibits discrimination in housing, credit, employment, education and public access in the areas of physical or mental disability, race, religion, family status and sexual orientation. It even includes a clause that prevents a referendum on the new law. Good show.



Santa and Stop AIDS Project volunteers at the AIDS Emergency fund dinner on Dec. 24 at the Green Room. Photo by Rink

HRCF Calls for Murder Investigation

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) called on the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Justice Department to investigate the Oct. 27 murder of Petty Officer Allen Schindler, murdered after the Navy began proceedings to discharge him for being gay. Two shipmates have been charged in the killing.

HRCF Director Tim McFeeley said that the Navy's handling of other cases suggests it is incompetent to perform an adequate investigation and prosecution of the sailors charged with Schindler's murder.

"It is evident, by the Navy's performance in investigating both the USS Iowa and Tailhook incidents, that they are more interested in avoiding embarrassment and assigning blame than they are in finding out the truth," McFeeley said.

At a press conference called by Queer Nation, HRCF representative J.B. Collier, a former naval officer, said that "Allen Schindler was beaten to death because he was gay."

Court OKs Gay Marriage

FRANKFURT - A district court in this German city ruled that city officials should accept same-sex marriage licenses, but the decision may not hold up to an appeal.

Though gay marriage is illegal in Germany, gay and lesbian couples filed suit to get the marriage office to accept their applications. It's expected that the marriage office will file an appeal. Still, Germany's Association of Gays has declared the ruling a victory.



Alice members at SF Demo Party holiday event at Agar Jaicks' (l-r): Matthew Rothschild, Robert Barnes, Party Chair Carole Migden and Agar Jaicks. Photo by Rink

Goodbye, Harry

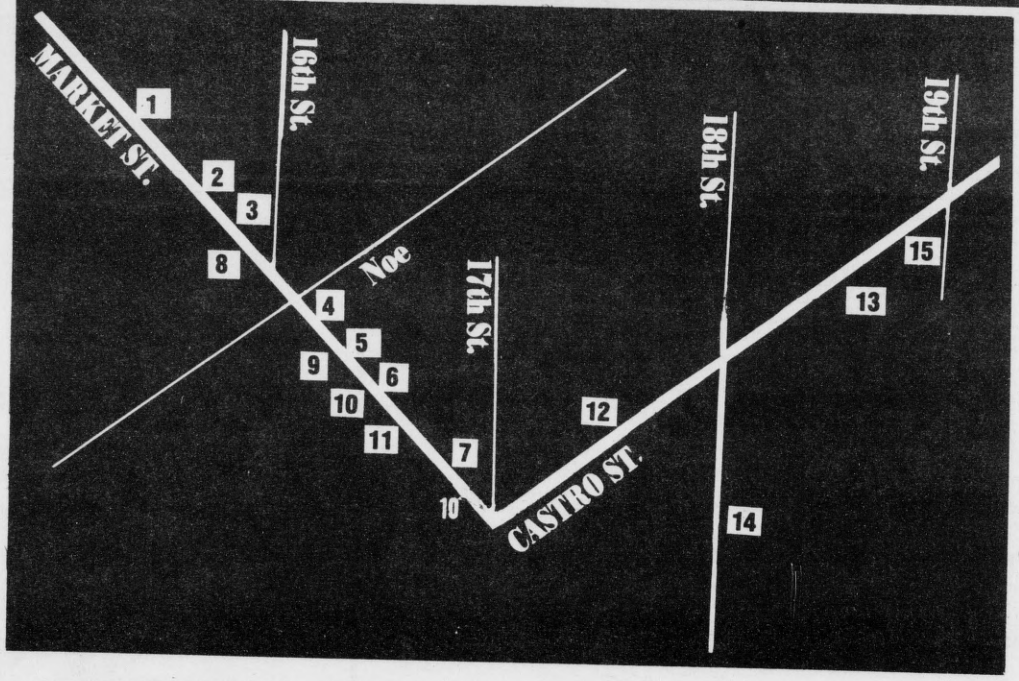
SAN FRANCISCO - Friends of Harry Britt will honor him upon his retirement from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors at a reception on Wednesday, Jan. 6, two days before he officially leaves the board.

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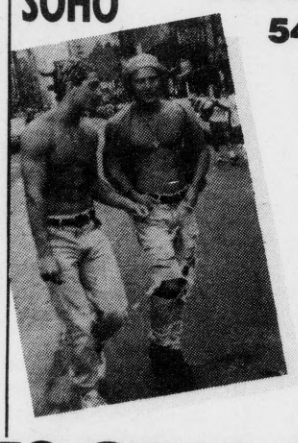
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Prostitutes and their supporters held a rally on Dec. 17 against the new police program of "mapping." Photo by Jane Philomen Cleland

sionary leadership to thank him for his 14 years of service," said colleague Carole Migden.

Britt was originally appointed to the board in 1978 by former Mayor Dianne Feinstein, after the City's first openly gay supervisor, Harvey Milk, was assassinated.

Whoopee for Whoopi

NEW YORK - Whoopi Goldberg is at it again. The well-rounded actress, comic and activist is again helping the queer cause with her new "Whoopi Goldberg Show."

The syndicated talk show has featured a number of gay and lesbian guests. And Whoopi, true to form in her outspokenness, has asked them about their queerness. She got Elton John to talk about his sham marriage and his finding love with another man; she even got k.d. lang to talk about coming out in the *Advocate*.

In a recent guest appearance, Elizabeth Taylor told Whoopi, "You take homosexual input out and there is no Hollywood." Now, finally, a reason to watch television again.

Fundies Bash Queers Again

MEADOWVIEW - The regional Baptist organization in southwestern Virginia denounced homosexuality as sinful, unnatural and an example of degrading passion.

It seems the board of the Lebanon Baptist Association didn't like the fact that a North Carolina church formalized a wedding ceremony for queers, and another church in the same state decided it would accept gays/lesbians/bisexuals as members. Pretty radical stuff.

But here's the clincher. Rev. James Meriwether of the Lebanon Association says, "Our purpose is not to condemn people...but to condemn the practice as sinful." Could have fooled us.

Studds Gets a Promotion

WASHINGTON - Gerry E. Studds, one of two out gay members of the U.S. Congress, was elevated to a key House leadership post: head of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee.

With this appointment, Studds becomes one of only 22 congressmembers who chair full committees, thus joining the upper-echelon leadership ranks of the House. In the new Congress, the 103rd, Studds will also have increased seniority on the Health Subcommittee and will continue as a leading advocate of gay and lesbian health issues.

ACT UP Likes Elders

LITTLE ROCK - President-elect Bill Clinton's choice for U.S. surgeon general is a hit with members of ACT UP.

Mike Petrelis, a spokesperson for ACT UP, praised Dr. Jocelyn Elders, current health director of the state of Arkansas, for her support of condom distribution in her state's public schools. "ACT UP hopes Elders will initiate condom distribution in all of the nation's public schools," said Petrelis.

Elders, 59, has been battling right-wing forces in Arkansas for years, particularly in her drive to get condoms into schools. The Arkansas Right to Life has no kind words for the health director. "It's bad news for unborn children," said Right to Life's Tina Chipman.

BITS & PIECES

- Project Open Hand distributed 1,600 bags of gifts—containing more than 10,000 individually wrapped presents—to people with AIDS in San Francisco, Oakland and Berkeley on Christmas Eve. The gifts of clothing, food, candy, flowers, books, toiletries and gift certificates were donated by dozens of Bay Area businesses.
- Speaking of Project Open Hand, the woman who founded it, Ruth Brinker, was honored on Dec. 21 by the SF Marriott and Levi Strauss & Co. at a corporate luncheon. Mayor Frank Jor-

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Whose World Is It, Anyway?

The end of the year makes me somewhat nostalgic. I think about what I have accomplished during the past 12 months. I play Phyllis Hyman cassettes and think about past lovers. I think of friends who are still here, barely here and who have passed away. I think of how precious a good, productive day is to my friends who are PWAs. I think of my mother, who for Christmas sent me a large box of designer towels because she decided that none of the towels I have match my bathroom. I think of little things like those who say thank you, who return the kindnesses they have received.

I think of the hope in the lesbian/gay/bisexual community as the Clinton administration sets its sights on another victory in 1996. I think about how disgusting the Bush pardons are; how disgusting it is that the working class will again have to pay for the rape of the S&Ls, the banks, the economy, and the greed of the rich; how disgusting it is that the rich are so self-righteous about the spoils of 12 years of mean-spirited greed and avarice; how so many who might have been implicated in the Iran-Contra dealings are now going to go scott free, thanks to Bush, who may just have pardoned himself.

So, does the world belong to the rich status quo? No, but they are having a good go at it. So far Bush has shown that absolute power is indeed above the law. The mighty have not fallen, and the poor are worse off than ever. But for the first time we saw a national coalition of lesbian/gay/bisexual voters come together to throw those collective self-righteous, rich asses out! For the first time, the gay community is a national political power with which to be reckoned.

I think about the political partnership we made with women to change the face of the Senate and avenge Anita Hill.

But how cohesive is the lesbian/gay/bisexual coalition? I think about the oppression that still exists within the gay community against difference—physical, racial, gender, age. For example, are the gay bars only for fit GWM in their 20s? No. But most bars only accept two or three differences beyond that before they start giving you the fish eye and you become invisible all over again. Some argue that they don't go to these establishments to see *everybody*. They go to see the types to whom they are attracted.

But when those same people turn the corner and get bashed or carjacked, they don't only look to those to whom they are "attracted" for help. They look to the entire "community" for support. So, does the world belong to the strongest and most attractive? No. So often, the stud muffins and wannabes are the ones who do us in. By being so isolated in our range of association, we have become weaker. Our personal associations have increasingly become people who are just like us over the years. Who is coming to your house for dinner? **With whom do you socialize?** *People who are accepted in a community and are proud of that community, look out for that community.*

If we were all more accepting of those to whom we are not attracted who are of good will, and less tolerant of beautiful rogues, the community would be a better place. *It's not only about whom you are attracted to anymore.* It's about a common spiritual, political identity. Who is going to support the common struggle? I thought about the absence of mentoring. There are so many young lesbians/gays/bisexuals out there who have no role models, no healthy, constructive association with older gays. Many of them are far too cynical for their age. If I were to invite a youth to coffee to talk, he might well wonder: "What's the game?" The going currency is flesh, drugs, money and more flesh. The fast lane and mercenary interests have rendered romance, nonsubstance abuse and integrity almost an oddity. Many come to our community without a foundation for integrity and constructive relationships. And what do they find? Hubbah-hubbah time in the bars and some koochy-koo on the corner. *And they think that is all being gay is about.*

If most of our community is saying that we only value physical pleasure, if we have no canons or values, if we do not encourage compassion for each other, as the next generation of queers grows older it will have no empathy for us. Where are our archives? Where is our center? Where is our sense of contributing to a multi-generational, worldwide tribe that extends beyond class, race, gender and pretty thighs? The truth is, any of a number of factions can disrupt social order. The world really does belong to all of us—rich, poor and especially the youth who will outlive us and benefit from our experience and hard work in securing recognition of our homo-spiritual bond.



"...And this is our Negro!"

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JUST A LITTLE TESTY...

I was somewhat surprised to see Ronald Kowalczyk's letter ("Respect for Volunteers, *SF Bay Times*, Dec. 17). After a pleasant phone conversation with Larry Littlejohn, who explained the split between the two agencies (who knew?), I agreed to explain the "mix-up" in my next column. You see, I wrote Gay Rescue Mission because I was told: "The Gay Rescue Mission moved from Folsom to here" by a source on Grove Street who should have known better. Also, the founder of GRM, Don Jackson, is there on Grove Street.

My original point in bringing this up was, no matter how saintly your objective, if you say you are going to provide a service, provide that service. Things which give good causes a bad name are:

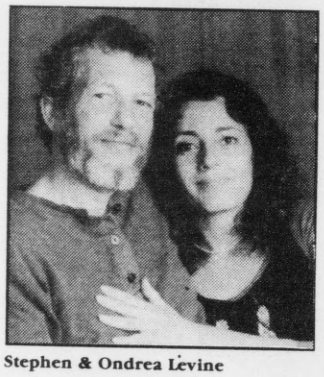
(1) Making an appointment to perform a service and not showing up. (2) Sending someone out to perform that service who is both drunk and far too unprofessional. (3) Asking your client if he (or she) is "a good cocksucker." (4) Not completing the service agreed upon. (5) Having the customer turn out to be a columnist who comments on this experience.

None of the above is appropriate behavior—except for my bringing it to the attention of the public, for which I do not apologize. Mr. Kowalczyk would have me not comment on my experience as it occurred because of the good work the Gay Rescue Mission has done when in fact, the point is: We are talking about the Gay Community Services Center, not the Gay Rescue Mission! Ding! Ding! Is anybody home? If anybody is eligible for a suit here, it would be those people at the Gay Community Services Center who still claim to be the GRM.

Of course, Kowalczyk is entitled to his opinion. And I am so happy to hear of his enthusiasm for good people in our country, veterans and heterosexuality. However, Kowalczyk, leave the onions to those of us with a finer appreciation for logic and good quiche!

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Home—Again

This past fall I committed an act that, with not atypical sedentary arrogance, I'd once considered unspeakable, impossible.

I moved.

I lived in the upper Haight for nine years, six of the latter in the same apartment. That makes me appear stable. Actually, I was just lazy. In that apartment, I lived with a roommate, lived alone, lived with a lover, lived alone again. I lost jobs, found jobs, switched jobs. I changed my life, my state of mind, my hair—millions of times. I lay awake nights with insomnia; I slept away entire Saturdays. I made love, fucked, tricked. I finished my 20s and lurched well into my 30s. All in one apartment.

I liked the Haight at first because: (a) it was generously peppered with a biracial, cogender, sexuality-blurred crowd; and (b) I was a runner, and Golden Gate Park is a runner's verdant utopia. The upper Haight also had just enough hippie ephemera to make it vaguely attractive, just enough funk to make it rock, just enough tourists to make it comical.

I eventually came to hate the Haight because: (a) I stopped running, so the park's greenish glory mocked me mercilessly; and (b) everything went to shit. The crackheads and neohippie runaways I stepped over in my sheltered doorway were unfailingly polite, true. But danger lurked.

Also, I felt isolated. Most of my friends are, shall we say, transportationally challenged. I felt guilty asking them over. Who needs an hour-long round-trip bus run?

Late last summer, however, karma intervened. Two friends announced they were moving out of this groovy little apartment on Church Street. It was the perfect size and location: a stone's throw from the Castro proper, half a block from Muni.

I thought it over for about eight seconds.

Then I said I'd take it.

LISTING TO PORT

Here are some things I'd like you to know about moving.

(1) Surprisingly, the move itself was easy. I swam around in a soup of collected magazines, tchotchkes, pictures and junk for a few weeks, then shoveled most of it out into the hallway and prayed for it to disappear. Sam and Alfie and Tim and Neil and Midge (not his real name) lent cars and/or muscles, bless their hearts.

On Sept. 1, the gay movers clomped in looking like something out of a cheesy porn video. It was all I could do to keep from unpacking the remote and fast-forwarding them.

(2) The shower in the old place sputtered and spumed uselessly. The water pressure dropped if someone turned on lawn sprinklers in Salem, Ore. When the shower *did* work, its output was just slightly lighter than the Mists of Loch Lomond. If it weren't for gravity, the water would have flowed up. We're talking partly cloudy with possible sprinkles by next millennium.

My new shower *rules*. It is water as torture. It has an S/M nozzle with two adjustments: Really, Really Hard; and Strip Off Your First Three Layers Of Skin. I can shampoo and soap and rinse in 30 seconds max; any longer, I'll be clogging the drain with sinew and tissue.

I took about 60 showers in my first two days there.

(3) I live right near the Safeway on Market Street. The Safeway on Market Street occupies about 334 prime acres; its aisles stretch some 17,418 combined miles. There is enough junk in the store to make your eyeballs sore. Sadly, there are no courtesy shuttles to ferry you from Paper Towels to Produce, and I suspect skateboarding and bike riding are forbidden. I might petition for permission to ride my scooter in the store: it'd make shopping so much easier, and would give new meaning to "Express Lane."

This Safeway is also, I've noticed during initial forays, not altogether uncruisy. I'm not used to cruising while I shop. I previously shopped at the Haight and Stanyan Cala; I'm used to reading the *Enquirer* and hoping the waste case at the checkout stand finishes counting his pennies by sometime before the next full moon.

Shall I dress to shop? Shall I fix my hair to pick up a few necessities? Speaking of picking up a few necessities—I wonder what the 18th Street Cala is like.

(4) I live a long city block from the Gap. With all the really smart, cool, rebellious people piercing and tattoing themselves, I've decided the most iconoclastic thing I can do is to shop at the Gap—locus of the suburban queer look. I wanna look just like everyone else who's not really smart, cool and rebellious. Now I can. And hey, Gap ads are fierce; they even feature Lypsinka in a jean jacket. And Luke Perry. And Queen Latifah. The only sad thing about the Gap is that the CEO and his wife threw a fundraising party last summer for California Gov. Pete "AB101" Wilson. Hmmm. Maybe I'll shop with a credit card and a pipe bomb. Can't you just see the ad? "GAP Pocket-T worn by columnist/activist Dave Ford."

(Memo to the FBI: *I'm just kidding*.)

(5) I live just a couple of blocks from the gym. I know, I know: how tired. But working out is the only way my decaying corpus gets to hook into those groovy, morphine-like endorphins. (Or, as the ditz character in *Postcards From the Edge* flipperishly calls them, "endolphins.") Anyway, despite its porno-cliche feel, the gym's really fun; everyone's really nice, when they're not being total bitches. All the boys and men are hot, and you've gotta love a place with 8,000 square feet of mirrors. For an hour every other day, I get to

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Passive Hyperimmune Therapy: Unanswered Questions

by Dave Gilden

In October the HemaCare Corporation of Los Angeles announced preliminary analysis of its completed 12-month phase I/II trial of passive hyperimmune therapy (PHT, also known as passive immunotherapy or PATH). The blood products company claimed in its statement and presentation at the National AIDS Update Conference in San Francisco that the data confirm earlier indications of benefit.

AIDS Treatment News recently obtained from independent sources an unreleased, detailed statistical analysis of the trial data, performed by members of the UCLA Department of Biomathematics. That report raises questions about the completeness of HemaCare's summary description of the data collected so far. Conclusions about PHT's long-term therapeutic value must await the findings of planned two-year phase III studies.

PHT aims to restore people's ability to control their HIV infections after immune deficiency has set in. Patients receive monthly infusions of blood plasma pooled from asymptomatic HIV-positive individuals who are continuing to produce high levels of anti-HIV antibodies.

The data released by the company in October seemed promising. After a year on full dose PHT, volunteers who started with T-helper counts of 50 to 200 experienced an average T-helper cell loss of 2 percent, compared to a 35 percent reduction for those on placebo. The benefit from PHT appeared to be dose-related: Volunteers receiving half dose fell between the two values, with an average 25 percent T-helper cell loss. Five deaths occurred on the placebo arm, three on the half-strength arm and one on the full-strength arm. The company reported no significant adverse affects from the therapy, and no withdrawals because of toxicity.

While not questioning PHT's safety, the full statistical analysis presents a more confused picture than do the sketchy press releases. Most of the trial volunteers yielding usable data—93 out of 155—had T-helper cell counts of less than 50. No significant benefits to volunteers with such low counts were detected. This result conforms to a past study which observed that the benefits of passive immunotherapy for people with ARC were much more long-lasting than for people with AIDS.

Joshua Levy, M.D., HemaCare's research director, told *AIDS Treatment News* that the decision to focus on people with depleted T-helper populations was based on reasons of compassion as well as a desire to quickly obtain decisive data.

The positive findings HemaCare reported are based on 62 individuals with T-helper counts of 50 to 200. This small sample size reduced the possibility of obtaining clear-cut, statistically significant findings. The full statistical analysis shows that average T-helper counts in the 50 to 200 segment of the trial did jump upward in the first six months. But the one-year data is not as good: T-helper counts on full dose in this group, up 33.7 percent above baseline at six months, had fallen back essentially to baseline by one year.

The trend in the second six months raises the question of how well PHT preserves T-helper cells in the long run. An analysis carried out by the statisticians that gave greater weight to later T-helper counts revealed little significant treatment effect compared to the simple endpoint analysis HemaCare publicized.

As for survival rates, only a trend considered largely lacking in statistical significance was found when other factors were taken into consideration along with T-helper count. These factors included AIDS or ARC diagnosis, weight loss and baseline p24 antigen level.

An unexpected problem is that original T-helper counts are missing for 29 of the 203 volunteers in the trial as a whole. In the full-dose PHT arm, the baseline T-helper counts are unknown for five of the 17 deaths. This gap might have seriously skewed the results; adding just one more death to the full-dose, 50-to-200 helper T-helper segment of the trial would alter the announced results considerably.

To get an independent view of PHT, we spoke with a staff member at one large AIDS clinic that is treating 30 patients with a passive immune technique similar in principle to PHT. According to this source, T-helper counts have not generally risen in treated patients, although skin conditions of all sorts have markedly improved. This benefit could be due to other antibodies in the plasma as well as due to the anti-HIV ones, the source observed. He noted that enthusiasm for the therapy was waning at his clinic.

As was largely true in the HemaCare study, passive immunotherapy is being applied in this clinic as a rescue technique for people with T-helper counts under 50. It is unclear what kills T-helper cells at this stage of disease. Their further loss may not be due to current HIV activity at all, but to immune dysfunction springing from past infection. Also, HIV in advanced AIDS is reproducing rapidly and therefore can mutate to escape neutralization by particular antibodies. It would seem that passive immunotherapy's effectiveness would be limited under these conditions.

Michael Roth, M.D., is a Santa Monica immunologist who has had six years' experience administering passive immunotherapy in his AIDS practice. He thinks that the critical factor determining passive immunotherapy's effectiveness is clinical health. Some patients who have near-zero T-helper counts but no history of opportunistic infections have remained stable and in good health for years on passive immunotherapy, he said.

Drs. Roth and Karpas both think that PHT and similar therapies would be most useful for extending the asymptomatic period by several years in persons with moderately affected immunity (T-helper counts of 200 to 400).

But it is difficult to test PHT's effectiveness in this group because of its members' slow rate of decline. HemaCare is now seeking a "treatment IND" from California's Food and Drug branch to try PHT in people with T-helper counts in the 200 to 400 range. The two-year, open-label treatment IND will allow HemaCare to administer PHT and collect data at its four California infusion centers. HemaCare also will attempt to recover costs from patients' insurance companies. (The company does envision some free distribution to those unable to pay.) Meanwhile, a double-blind, two-year-long phase III trial involving volunteers with T-helper counts of 50 to 200 will begin this winter if the FDA branch approves.

Over 100 volunteers from the phase II trial will continue to receive PHT. This is important because one small French study indicated that discontinuing this therapy led to rapid deterioration in people with advanced immune deficiency.

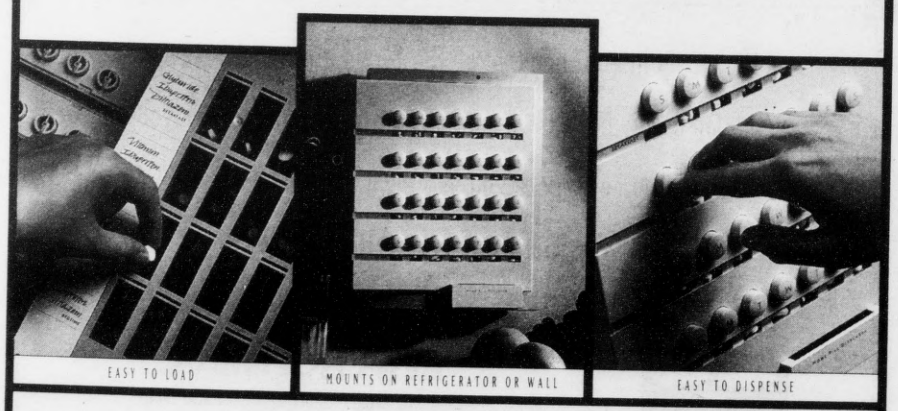
HemaCare expects to be administering PHT to 900 people soon and is actively seeking donors with sufficient HIV-neutralizing antibodies. Donors receive $25 per donation plus free blood tests.

A beneficial rebound effect from the periodic plasma withdrawals may raise donors' antibody levels, indirectly making passive immunotherapy of benefit to them, too. In the completed HemaCare trial, about 90 percent of regular donors maintained stable T-helper levels over the year. According to HemaCare, donor data revealed a

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statistically significant, overall slight T-helper increase when analyzed by a method that controlled for other factors. The meaning of such a result should be qualified, though, since there is no control group for purposes of comparison. It is possible that any carefully selected group of individuals with high anti-HIV antibody levels would spontaneously show stable or even increasing T-helper counts whether or not they donated plasma.

COMMENT

Tanya Youvan, M.S., HemaCare's PHT project manager, faxed us a five-page letter taking exception to some of the statements in a draft of this article. She wrote that HemaCare has hired a new statistician to redo the analysis. His report is due soon and, Youvan claimed, will provide most of the missing baseline T-helper counts. Youvan also argued that the just-completed PHT trial was only a phase I/II study that was not supposed to provide conclusive efficacy data.

We welcome re-examination of the PHT data and further testing of this therapy. But people with HIV are now making decisions about trying PHT and they need as much information as possible. HemaCare's overly optimistic announcements of its trial results were made two months ago. They claimed improved survival and statistically significant maintenance of T-helper cell levels on the basis of an analysis the company now feels it has to redo.

Youvan's objections did not touch two central points: (1) average T-helper cell counts were not "maintained," but rose in the first six months and then starting falling. By the end of the 12-month period, they were about equal to baseline in the 50-200 T-helper group, suggesting that T-helper count increases may be temporary; and (2) the missing baseline helper T-cell data make the survival findings uncertain.

Youvan conceded that firm conclusions about who PHT benefits, and for how long, must wait for the larger study now being planned. But we should not be too critical of the optimistic publicity HemaCare generated. The blood-products company has taken on a very complex, neglected project beyond its normal area of expertise. The need for prolonged testing has proved extremely costly to the company, which has had to cover the testing expenses through internal financing.

The focus on persons with low T-helper counts may have backfired, costing the company more in the long run. It nevertheless was a valiant move on moral grounds. It provided a plausible treatment alternative to people who had none, as most clinical trials exclude people with late-stage AIDS.

HemaCare in the past has been faulted for releasing its results through press conferences and other non-research forums. It now promises to submit its findings in a peer-reviewed medical journal for publication—which would help to resolve the remaining questions.

Acyclovir Annual Price Cap for Some Patients

On Dec. 7, Burroughs Wellcome Co. announced that it will cap the price of acyclovir (Zovirax) for patients who pay for the drug themselves. Those who use more than 730 grams (for which Burroughs Wellcome charges wholesalers about $2,500) in a single calendar year will receive up to 730 additional grams at no cost for the remainder of the year. This program begins Jan. 1; therefore patients who are using continuous high-dose acyclovir and paying for their own medication should immediately register, through their physician or other health-care provider, so that their acyclovir use can be monitored and credited toward the cap. Health-care professionals can call Burroughs Wellcome at (800) 722-9294 for more information about this program and how to register patients.

Unfortunately this program is only for patients who do not have third-party coverage for their acyclovir use.

The cost of acyclovir has become an issue, especially during the last year, because more people are using high doses continuously after a major study in Europe and Australia reported finding survival benefit in some patients. Most patients use acyclovir occasionally or temporarily. But the new use can cost $5,000 per year or more, creating severe financial hardship or making the drug unavailable to patients for whom it was prescribed. The U.S. patent on acyclovir does not expire until 1997.

AIDS treatment activists from several organizations had negotiated with Burroughs Wellcome for ten months seeking price relief; according to Andrew Zysman, M.D., of ACT UP/Golden Gate, the company rejected an overall price cut but agreed to a price cap. Activists were not told the amount of the cap, or that patients with third-party coverage for the drug were ineligible, until the day the program was announced to the press, so they were unable to advocate important changes.

"There are two problems with the policy," says Dr. Zysman. "The cap, while a start, does not go far enough. A workable solution would be an annual cap of $2,000 per patient, which would continue to generate great profits, while making acyclovir more accessible.

"Second and most disappointing, the cap only applies to people without insurance. Activists are concerned about the cost of AIDS care not only to uninsured individuals, but also to the bankrollers of health care in America, the government and private insurers. Many physicians, for example in public health settings, are unable to suggest the use of acyclovir because it would bankrupt their clinic's budget; hence patients will not be able to benefit.

"We believe Burroughs Wellcome has made a grave error, acting neither in its own interests nor in the interests of the HIV community. A lower price cap, applied to all patients irrespective of insurance coverage, would affect physicians' attitudes about the cost-benefit ratio of acyclovir, and would create more widespread usage, generating greater, not lesser, profits for Burroughs Wellcome."

Dr. Zysman has heard that Burroughs Wellcome did plan for the cap to cover all U.S. patients, but that pharmacists' representatives argued that their prescription-monitoring software was not set up to track such use. He also heard that activists were kept out of these negotiations because the company feared running afoul of regulations on the disclosure of "inside information" which could affect stock prices.

Note: Burroughs Wellcome replied that it already provides a 26 percent rebate to Medicaid, and effective Jan. 1 will provide comparable discounts to state AIDS programs, sexually transmitted disease clinics, community and migrant health centers, homeless programs, public housing clinics, and mental health, tuberculosis and family planning clinics.

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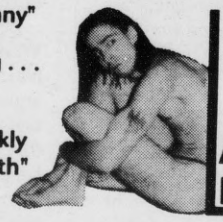
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BY JACK FERTIG

It's Gonna Be A Queer Year

Good news, Darling! The aspects that make this week and next such a bloody mess are not at all indicative of the kind of year we're going to have. 1993 will be far from halcyon, but don't let the beginning spook you. It will be better soon.

Neptune is in a long, slow conjunction to Uranus. (Oh, *shush*! It will be like that all year, so get used to it!) This itself marks major upheavals against religious authorities, very peculiar weather, and dramatic advances in psychology and music. This month Saturn is adding in a bit of pragmatic innovation, but Mars is bringing in a bit of bad temper and moody self-righteousness. The upshot for now is that we all get a chance to look at our own efforts to bring people together and to manage them, and to see how and why such efforts can become volatile.

To put it a bit less holistically, the planets are bringing out the control bitch in all of us. The antidote is to meditate. Do whatever you need to maintain serenity. Listen carefully to people, and remember that although they are being crazy right now, you are too. Through the craziness there are still valid messages to be taken, albeit with a grain of salt. Remember, we're all in this one together, and it will indeed pass.

SUN SIGNS

ARIES: Life at home is more than interesting these days. The pressure could even be making you homeophobic. Somebody *chez vous* is being impossible to live with, and of course it couldn't possibly be you, could it now? Domestic discord probably has its roots in old family stuff; check it out. All this anxiety is lighting a fire under your ass at work, but your initiative is likely to put you into conflict with the boss. A bit of power tripping perhaps? You're not in the mood for friends' advice, but it is very helpful. Remember the value of constructive criticism.

TAURUS: You've been having all kinds of wonderful, vast new insights. Take them the way you do everything best: slow and easy does it. Right now you're a little too eager to discuss your new lessons, and you tend to come off as a self-appointed authority. People will be eager to shoot you down. I hate to think of the fights and arguments that will start. Remember you're playing around with new ideas. Preface any new revelations with qualifications that invite interest and discussion. This is a great time to learn and develop authority, a lousy time to pronounce and exude it.

GEMINI: Oh, darling of duality, this can be one of the more delightful times of your life and/or one of the most nerve-wracking. (One does not rule out the other!) Be very open to questioning and re-exploring your deepest commitments of faith and love. And be ready for challenges that drive you to question them! Novel explorations into sexuality and metaphysics will lead you... well, you'll find yourself in "wrong" positions that will help you to find the right positions later.

CANCER: Mars retrograde is making everyone a bit touchy, but he just happens to be in *your* sign. In your dark moods this could make you a raving bitch, taking it out on your lover as you feel some need to assert your power. Hmmmm, if you've never been into S/M fantasy games, this could be a great time to give it a try. If kinky sex doesn't do it for you, find an appropriate political outlet where you can scream demands, rage and feel powerful. Without some such outlet, relationships are especially difficult right now. On the other hand, your issues are up so clearly, you can do a thorough self-examination on the subject. Self-criticism can be productive if you can refrain from beating up on yourself.

LEO: OK, drama queen—slow down, breathe, and try to relax for just a moment. Things around you are going totally screwy right now, and the only way out of it is right through it. Take time out to meditate and indulge in *healthy* pleasures (hot baths, slow nurturing meals and massages, for example). The key word here is *slow*. It seems that the world is conspiring to sweep you up into a vicious frenzy, but something inside you is the driving force. Meditation will help you face it, but working it out may require serious help—say a shrink, a counselor, a rolfer, or an astrologer.

VIRGO: This is a wonderful couple of weeks for you to throw yourself into creative work or productive play. Nothing will work out the way you want it to, but your efforts will prove worthwhile in the long run—rather like an awkward first draft that reads execrably but becomes the heart of a great novel later on. When you feel like you're producing shit, just think of it as fertilizer. Your genius will bloom from it later. It can be frustrating, though, and you're much too likely to take it out on your friends. Sporting events can be a great release for all that choked-up energy.

LIBRA: The boss has not suddenly grown horns, warts and a long pointy tail, although you may think otherwise. Of course, if you're the boss, you may want to double-check your mirror. Authority issues are up for you with a vengeance. In other words, dear, sweet, tasteful *Vous* is being a raging control queen. In the theatrical fantasies of your own private dungeon you may play this out to glorious and therapeutic effect. In the real world, take time out to look at family issues that may be coming up and aggravating your attitude.

SCORPIO: It seems as if everything you know is wrong. And for you, of all signs, that is almost impossible to tolerate. The easy temptation is to get into many fruitless but heated arguments. The challenge is to do what Ayn Rand said. (Hey, even she could be right about something!) Check your premises! Long-held ideas about family and community are due for re-examination. You won't come to any easy answers right now, but you can get a handle on the right questions. If that's not good enough, remember you're the sign with impossible standards. Yes, it is good enough, and much better than a lot of people ever figure out. Give yourself credit for simple steps, and the rest will follow in time.

SAGITTARIUS: As much as you love the fast-paced whirl of your life, it's time to slow down, even to stop, center and breathe deeply. Something (probably grief or sexual frustration) is making you rage, and you're tempted to take it out on your savings or on anyone unfortunate enough to be in your way. You may think you're being witty when you're just being (however inadvertently) vicious and hurtful. Sexual frustration? Well, you may be getting lots of what you want without getting what you really need. Check it out. We all confront grief overload from time to time. It's your time. Sit down and have a serious talk with someone whose advice or sympathies really count a lot to you.

CAPRICORN: Your partner, or your desire to have one, is making you very crazy right now...or at least it seems so in the former case. You're making yourself crazy enough without any help, although your significant other is now a significant focus for your own insanity. While you're being moody and unpredictably aggressive, s/he is going frantic in a sincere but misguided attempt to stay ahead of you. This in turn makes you even crazier. Sit down together. Breathe. Talk. Hug. Breathe more. Talk more. Hug more. The money situation is not as bad as you think right now, but it's not great either. Don't fret; don't spend recklessly. Just be thoughtful and careful. *Happy Birthday: Greta Christina, Raphaelle MacMahon, Elyse Graham and Robin Sweeney!*

AQUARIUS: Your tendency now is to bear down in the midst of adversity and dig in your heels. Yes, things are going crazy. No, old solutions will not work. Just to make matters worse, (1) it's all too easy now to become a raving bitch; and (2) frustration at work can now be especially detrimental to your health. (Take good care of your tummy! Watch what you eat!) You need to be very responsible now, but a wait-and-see attitude could be the most responsible tack right now. Meditation can help you center and relax; so can *moderate* exercise. Slogan for now: easy does it.

PISCES: Trying to recapture the joys of yesteryear? Forget it. In your heart of hearts you know better, and the mere business of trying is very trying indeed! The inner voice is not pretty these days, but it is reasonably trustworthy. It could actually be a good time to have a "last fling" at something that has lost its luster. If it's become perfectly dull, you'll leave it behind all the more easily. Creative meditation and free-flowing artistic efforts will help you to see where your pleasure really lies, a weird new take based on a very odd turn on old patterns you may have buried. You will be more than surprised as you work it out!

THE SAN FRANCISCO
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coming Up

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DEC 31 / T H U

Beach Blanket Babylon New Year's Eve Celebration: Get your tix early for this lavish, surprise-filled show: 7:15 & 10:15 pm at Club Fugazi, 678 Green St, SF. Tix $50-$100 per person includes the show plus champagne & sweets, party favors & post-performance dancing. Info/res: 421-4222.

New Year's Eve Celebration at IMA Cultural Center in Bodega: Dinner, live music & dj dancing (no alcohol served). Music with Melanie DeMore & Gwen Avery! Fun starts at 7:30 pm, tix $25-50 SL fee. Info/res: (707) 876-3004.

Partners of Survivors of Incest Anonyous meets 8-9:30 pm at Mandana House, 541 Mandana, Oakl. Free. Support group for partners of incest survivors, ritual abuse survivors & multiple personalities. Info: (510) 839-8844.

"1992: A Year to Dismember: A Queer Year in Review," New Year's Eve celebration with Ammiano & Ripley at New Conservatory Theatre, see 12/30.

New Year's Eve at Josie's Cabaret with comics Marga Gomez & Mark Davis. Come laugh in the New Year with two of SF's favorite comics! 8 & 10:30 pm tonight & tmw; 8 pm on 1/2 & 3. Tix $12 tonight, $10 after. 3583 16th St at Market, SF. Info/res: 861-7933.

New Year's Eve Jam at El Rio with all-women salsa band, *Azucar y Crema*; plus funk, house & reggae with dj Naadeah. 3158 Mission St, SF. 9 pm-2 am, $12. Info: 282-3325.

New Year's Eve, Lesbian Style—Celebrate with Palo Alto Lesbian Rap Group! Bring something to drink & some munchies to share! Sunnyvale location. Call Marilyn 969-1260 for directions/info.

Gala New Year's Eve with Sharon McNight at Cyril's: Show includes champagne, noisemakers & dancing at the city's newest nightclub, an intimate space reminiscent of vintage 1940s clubs. Tix $40. Show starts at 10:30 pm. Doors open at 9:30 pm. Info/res: 421-4222.

JAN 1 / F R I

Celebration! Writing Wkshop: An intergenerational writing workshop for lesbians & gay men, spons by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders). Wkly 2 1/2 hr group, $30 per month, limited to 12 participants. All experience levels welcome. Led by George Birimisa. Info: George 431-6254.

Frameline presents *Together Alone*: 1-week benefit screening for the Stop AIDS Project. Film focuses on two men who attempt to make sense of AIDS, love, their sexuality & their lives. Film captures the thrill, alienation & vulnerability of a chance encounter between two gay men, and won two awards at the 1992 Berlin Film Festival & won the Int'l Confederation of Art Cinemas Prize. Film shows thru 1/7 at Castro Theatre, SF. Call

Community Music Center Orchestra New Year's Day Celebration: Concert features Beethoven's *Symphony No. 9* plus original compositions by violin-guitar duo *Wishing Moon* 4 pm, free. First Congregational Church, 432 Mason St, SF. Info: 647-6015.

Shabbat Gathering of Jewish lesbians, bisexual women & their women friends: Let go of the week & your work, bring in Shabbat with song, food, schmoozing & Jewish culture—no experience necessary! 7:30 pm, Eastbay location. Bring a substantial vegetarian potluck dish. Please wear no scents. Location/directions: (510) 832-4232.

Laugh yourself silly at Josie's Cabaret with comics Marga Gomez & Mark Davis. 8 & 10 pm tonight, 8 pm on 1/2 & 3. 3583 16th St at Market, SF. $10. Info/res: 861-7933.

JAN 2 / S A T

Recycle Your Christmas Tree today! TreeCycling Day is on Recycling Day—just put your tree on the curb next to your blue recycling bin on your FIRST recycling day after 1/2, by 6 am. If you're an apartment resident, put your tree at the curb on YOUR STREET'S first recycling day after 1/2. If you can't recycle on your designated TreeCycling Day, take your tree to one of 7 recycling locations, call the SF Recycling Hotline 554-6193 for location & schedules.

Alameda Run with Eastbay Frontrunners: Take High Street exit off Hwy 880. Follow High Street west toward Alameda to Otis Drive. Turn left on Otis & follow across bridge. Turn right on Island Drive, and immediately right onto Veterans Court. Meet 9:30 am at end of court. Info: Roz (510) 939-3579 or Greg (510) 865-6792.

Beginning Tarot Class with Susan Levitt at Two Sisters Bookshop, 605 Cambridge Ave, Menlo Park. Noon-3 pm, $35. Info/res: 331-1028.

Alice Arts Center Grand Opening: Two days of celebration with an eclectic & exciting line-up of entertainers: Danny Glover, Erika Luckett, Jackeline Rago, members of the *Oakland Eastbay Symphony*, and others. Tix for tonight's show, $50, dance-only tix are $15. For details call the City of Oakland Cultural Arts Division (510) 238-2103. Tix may be purchased thru BASS, (510) 762-BASS.

Comics Marga Gomez & Mark Davis at Josie's Cabaret. 8 pm tonight & tmw. 3583 16th St at Market, SF. Info/res: 861-7933.

Eve of Comedy & Music to benefit the Noe Valley Ministry Community Building Fund. Lots of laughs & fine music with Geoff Hoyle, Marga Gomez, Alex De Grassi, Merle Kessler aka Ian Shoales, J Raoul Brody, Larry Kassin, Tom Darter, PMS and Brian Lohmann. 8:15 pm, $13 adv, $15 at door. 1021 Sanchez St, SF. Info: 282-2317. Tix available at Aquarius Records in SF, Shambhala Booksellers in Berkeley & Bedrock Records in San Rafael.

Country Western Dancing for Women at the Tea Spot Cafe, 2072 San Pablo Ave at University, Berkeley. Smoke-free! Lessons 9-9:30 pm, open dancing 9:30 pm-midnight. Info: Lilia (510) 271-5916 or Tea Spot (510) 848-7376.

Gay Comedy Night at Josie's Cabaret with Karen Ripley, Gail Hand & Scott Silverman. 10 pm, $8. 3583 16th St at Market, SF. Info/res: 861-7933.

JAN 3 / S U N

G Forty Plus Mtg: Renowned artist Dave Archer discusses "Painting with a Million Volts." Also donations accepted for the AIDS Food Bank (no perishables please). 2-4 pm at the First Unitarian Church, 1187 Franklin at Geary, SF. Info: 552-1997.

Comics Marga Gomez & Mark Davis at Josie's Cabaret, see 1/2.

JAN 4 / M O N

At Alexander Book Co: Alan Epstein, PhD, discusses & signs copies of his book, *How to Be Happier Day by Day: A Year of Mindful Actions*. The book offers 365 mindful actions, one suggestion for each day of the year, that promise to help you turn happiness into a habit. 12:30-1:30 pm. 50 2nd St, SF. Info: 495-2992.

Women Writers Group spons by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders) meets 6-9 pm at Operation Concern, 1853 Market St, SF. Led by author/writer Ida VSW Red, this group offers writing support for women over 50 years old. Info: 626-7000.

Marin Gay Male Support Group spons by Spectrum. Facilitated by Dr Stuart Horance. Ongoing group. 8-wk commitment required. $15 per session. Info: 457-1115.

BATS (Bay Area Theatresports) presents a totally improvised, totally original full-length musical tonight at New Conservatory Theater, 25 Van Ness Ave, SF. 8 pm, $10 gen'l, $7 stdnts. BATS musicals sellout quickly, adv res suggested, call 824-8220.

Gay Comedy Open Mike at Josie's Cabaret with emcee Maureen Brownsey. 8 pm, $4. Aspiring queer comics sign up by phone. 3583 16th St at Market, SF. Info/res: 861-7933.

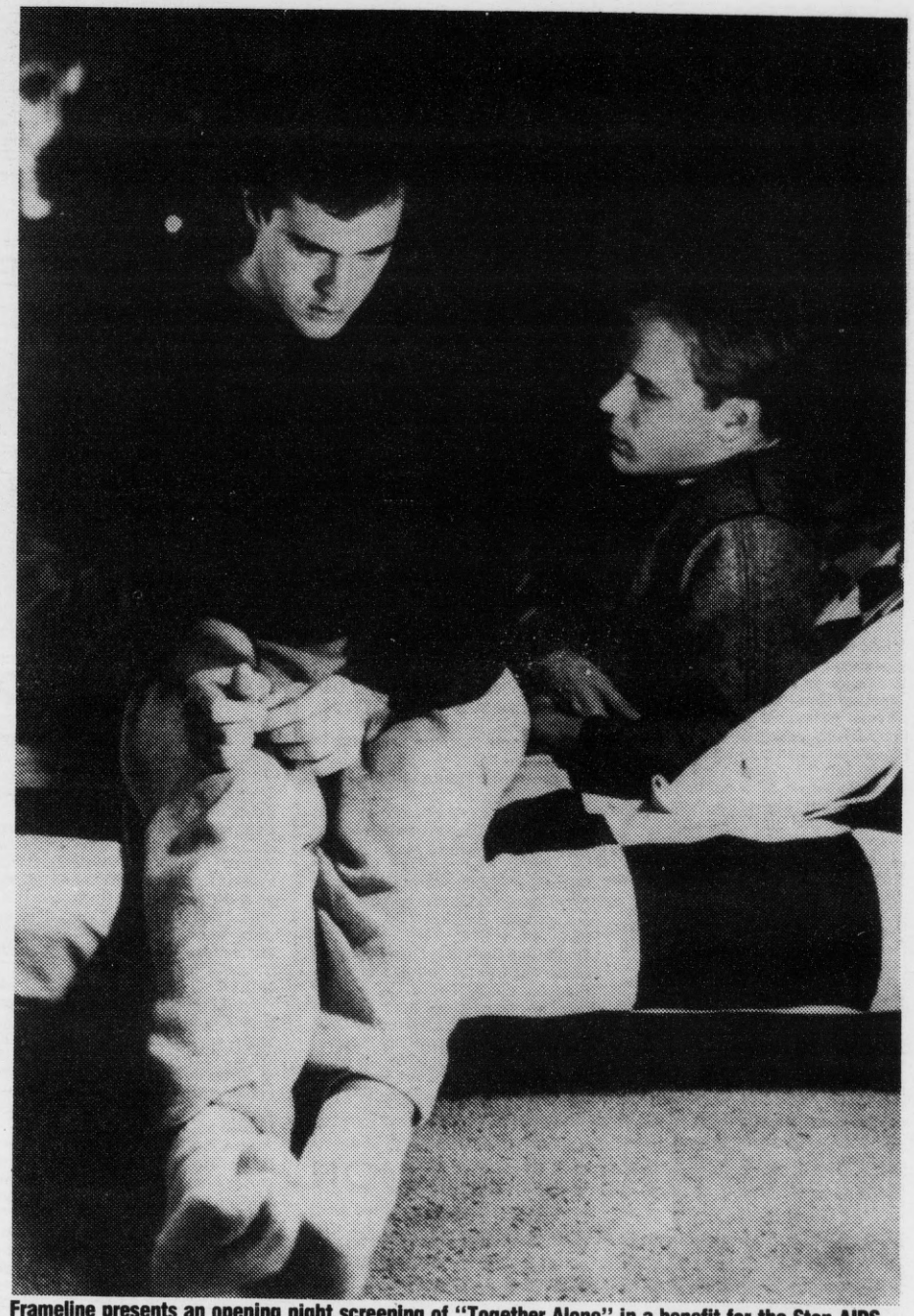
JAN 5 / T U E

"Introduction to the Amron Mystery School," a talk by the Rev Norma Tringali, minister & co-founder of the Church of Amron. 7 pm, free. Amron Metaphysical Ctr, 2254 Van Ness Ave, SF. Info: 775-0227.

Gay Men's Sketch: Male nude figure drawing for all skill levels. Classical nude modeling by African American artist/athlete Stan Stone. 7 pm at 1229 Folsom St, SF. Reservations required, call 621-6294.

5th Annual Benefit for Women with Cancer Organizational Meeting: Come help plan this year's event, centered around the theme, "Laughing in the Face of it All". 7 pm. Info/location: Janice (510) 482-1992.

A Benefit for a Very Special Man: The Late Bloomers present a benefit for Late Bloomer Paul Dubois. The event stars Marsh regulars (graduates of Dave Ford's performance workshops) F Alan Hale, Miriam Engelberg, Regina Brunig & Roberta D'Alois, plus other guest stars. 8 pm, $10, or whatever you can afford. Everyone welcome! Snacks & non-alcoholic drinks available. All proceeds go to help Paul with his medical & living expenses while he receives treatment for AIDS complications. At the Marsh, 968 Valencia St btwn 21st & Liberty, SF. Donations & checks may be sent to Paul Dubois, c/o R. D'Alois, 1125 Stanyan St, SF 94117.



Frameline presents an opening night screening of "Together Alone" in a benefit for the Stop AIDS Project at the Castro Theatre. Calendar has info.

JAN 6 / W E D

BACW Sonoma January Planning Mtg: Help Bay Area Career Women plan events for the new year! Santa Rosa location, for info/directions call Linda (707) 573-0565. 6:30-8 pm.

Men's Discovery Discussion Group spons by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders) meets today. Topic: Gay Pets. Led by George Birimisa. For time, location & other info call 626-7000.

At A New Leaf Recovery Resource Store: "Money is Our Teacher," Mark Stemple, MA, founder of Money Works, looks at how we can see our relationship with money to support our emotional healing & growth. 7:30 pm. 545 Magnolia, Larkspur. Info: 924-8970.

Bisexual Rap Group meets 7:30-9 pm at Spectrum, followed by social hour at a local cafe. $5, no one turned away for lack of funds. Info: 457-1115.

JAN 7 / T H U

Rainbow's End lesbian, gay & bisexual youth group for ages 14-23, meets 6:30-9 pm. Spons by Spectrum. Call 457-1115 for info/location.

Environmental Health Network hosts a discussion with Assemblywoman Jackie Speier (D-SSF) and Calif Senate disability consultant Joan Ripple. Topics include toxic carpet, pesticides, sick buildings, worker safety, health reform & disability rights. USF Lone Mountain campus, Turk & Parker, SF. Room 363. No scents/fragrances, please. Info: 541-5075.

Gays in Cuba/AIDS in Cuba: An informal discussion with two HIV-positive Cuban gay men visiting the Bay Area. 7 pm at La Pena, 3105 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. Info: 995-4678.

Open Dora's at Red Dora's Bearded Lady: Comedy, music, poetry, performance open mike for women. Men welcome to attend. Sign-up at 7 pm, or by calling 281-0707. Show starts at 8 pm. $3-5 SL fee. 485 14th St at Guerrero, SF.

Marin BACW Business Mtg: Join Bay Area Career Women and help plan upcoming activities. 7-9:30 pm. Info/location: Lynne or Sandi 457-4866.

At Sisterspirit Women's Bookstore: Sandra Martz, editor of *When I Am An Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple* reads from her long-awaited sequel, *If I Had My Life to Live Over, I Would Pick More Daisies*. 7:30 pm. 175 Stockton Ave, San Jose. Info: (408) 293-9372.

At A Different Light Bookstore: Group reading by members of a lesbian collective, 7:30 pm. 489 Castro St, SF. Info: 431-0891.

New Horizons, rap group for lesbian, gay & bisexual young people ages 22-29, meets 7:45-9:30 pm. Spons by Spectrum. Call 457-1115 for info/location.

Hot, sassy mama blues with Marla BB at Freight & Salvage, 1111 Edison St, south of University & San Pablo, Berkeley. 8-10:30 pm, $7 adv, $8 at door. Info/res: (510) 548-1761.

Tim Miller in Sex/Love/Stories at Josie's Cabaret: Santa Monica-based performance artist Tim Miller presents a manic, pushy performance work chronicling a queer-boy journey thru transgressive homo sex, youthful misadventures in SF, boyfriends & apartments on NY's Lower East Side, ACTING UP in front of the Federal Bldg in LA, and trying to save the world by walking precincts and having public sex on election day. Miller is founder of both New York's PS 122 & Santa Monica's Highways, and is, along with John Fleck, Holly Hughes & Karen Finley, a member of the NEA-4 group of artists denied NEA funding. Show runs Thurs-Sun at 8 pm, thru 1/10 and Wed-Sun at 8 pm 1/13-17. Tonight's show is a benefit for ACT-UP San Francisco and ACT-UP Golden Gate. 3583 16th St at Market, SF. Info/res: 861-7933.

Women's Voices Reading at Old Wives' Tales Bookstore: "Writing to Reclaim Their Lives," an evening of readings by local survivors of ritual abuse, followed by an open mike. All survivors are invited to share their work—poems, prose, songs & drawings—pertaining to recovery. Multicultural evening includes both women & men survivors. 8 pm, $3-10 admission benefits Women's Voices, OWT's cultural events series. 1009 Valencia St at 21st, SF. Info: 821-4676.

Noche de Reyes y Reinas: Party/benefit for AGUILAS & GELAAM. Music, snacks, entertainment, dancing, fun! Rifas, anojidos at El Rio, 3158 Mission St nr Army, SF. 9 pm, $6.

JAN 8 / F R I

At Modern Times Bookstore: *On Our Backs* publisher Debi Sundahl presents *Ten Years of Lust & Mayhem*, a slideshow of photos published in *On Our Backs*, and gives a talk on publishing lesbian sexual images & issues of censorship. 7:30 pm, free. 888 Valencia St, SF.

Tim Miller in Sex/Love/Stories at Josie's Cabaret, see 1/7.

Real Girls: An evening of sexual diversity with cartoonist/social satirist Angela Bocage, author & s/m dyke Nicola Ginzler, and writer Kathleen "Tenderloin Rose" Wood. 9 pm, $4/5 at the Elbo

Room, 647 Valencia St, SF.
Singer Connie Champagne at Josie's Cabaret in "This is War!" Night of quirky songs & skewed music as Connie shares her post-atomic cabaret show, a collection of short monologues and songs a la Sandra Bernhardt, compiled by Susan Stauter. 10 pm, $10. Show runs tonight & 1/15, 22 & 29. 3583 16th St at Market, SF. Info/res: 861-7933.

JAN 9 / S A T

Pegasus Motorcycle Owners Club goes to the Cow Palace: Join us at the 1993 Int'l Motorcycle Show & Motocross. Meet 9 am at Castro Streen Station Bar, SF. Everyone welcome! For details on this event, or more gen'l info call Jay 861-2872.
Lake Merrit/Oakland Run with Eastbay Frontrunners: Meet 9:30 am at corner of 14th & Oak Sts, in front of the Cameron Stanford House. Info: Roz (510) 939-3579 or Greg (510) 865-6792.
Open House at Shi'atsu Institute & Therapy Center: Noon-5 pm. Demos, free mini-Shiatsu treatment, meet school instructors & students, register for classes. 347 Dolores St, room 118 (opposite Mission Dolores), SF. Ample free parking in rear of building. Info: 241-9740.
Children's Storytime at A New Leaf Recovery Resource Store, see Parents & Kidsbox for details.
Meeting Men Party presented by the Human Awareness Institute: Discover the path of gay intimacy, thru guided exercises and heart connections in pairs. 7 pm, $20. Tix available at A Different Light Bookstore, SF or call 239-7839.
A Different Light Bookstore: LA mystery writer Steve Johnson reads from his paperback original thriller *Final Atonement*. 489 Castro St, SF. Info: 431-0891.
Comedy/music duo "Dr Jane" Robinson & Cynthia McQuillin. Women only. 8 pm, $8-10 SL fee. Mama Bears, 6536 Telegraph Ave, Oakl. Info: (510) 428-9684.
Tim Miller in Sex/Love/Stories at Josie's Cabaret, see 1/7.
Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra in concert at First Congregational Church, Berkeley. Program includes works by Vivaldi & Bach. 8 pm tonight, 7:30 pm tmw. Tix $19-27. Info/res: (415) 392-4400.
Gay Comedy Night at Josie's Cabaret with comics Tom Ammiano, Scott Capurro & Mark Davis. 10 pm, $8. 3583 16th St at Market, SF. Info/res: 861-7933.

JAN 10 / S U N

Men's Potluck Brunch spons by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders) meets noon-3 pm at Francis of Assisi, 145 Guerrero St, SF. Bring dish to share. Info: 626-7000.
At A New Leaf Recovery Resource Store: Booksigning with Dick Burns, author of *The Oxford Group & Alcoholics Anonymous, Dr Bob's Library*, and *Anne Smith's Spiritual Workbook*. 2-4 pm. 545 Magnolia, Larkspur. Info: 924-8970.
At Mama Bears Bookstore: Betty DeShong Meador & Judy Grahn celebrate the publication of *Uncursing the Dark, Treasures from the Underworld*, a book of essays & poems presenting a 5-stage journey toward the feminine. 3-5 pm. Women only. 6536 Telegraph Ave, Oakl. Info: (510) 428-9684.
Twelfth Night Party spons by Golden Gate Connection, a social club for heavyset men & their admirers. Bring a wrapped gift valued at $5-10 and finger food to share, the club provides beverages & mixed drinks. 4-8 pm at 191 Bepler, Daly City. For directions call Aaron 756-5365.
Women's Sprituality Group: Evening of writing & potluck. Newcomers welcome! Spons by Spectrum. 5 pm. Info/location: 457-1115.
Gays & Lesbians in Planning Eastbay Potluck: 6 pm in Oakland. All gays, lesbians & bisexuals are welcome. Dinner followed by presentation on political & employment outlook at the local & Federal levels. Location/directions: Matt (510) 530-3381.
At A Different Light Bookstore: Three local poets, all recently turned 40—Rob Goldstein, Viola Weinberg & Dan Harder—read from their work. 7:30 pm. 489 Castro St, SF. Info: 431-0891.
Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra in concert, see 1/9.
At Modern Times Bookstore: Reading by contributors to *Goddesses We Ain't*, an anthology by the Tenderloin Reflection,& Education Center's women writers group. Readers: Mary Tallmountain, Salima Rashida, Ruby Brooklyn, Myrnalene Nabih, Marsha Campbell, Kitty Costello, Jo Vukelich, Anna Sears & Lucy Jane Bledsoe. 7:30 pm, free. 888 Valencia St, SF.
Doghouse Benefit at Great American Music Hall, 859 O'Farrell at Larkin, SF. Proceeds benefit Viacom Cable Channel 25's popular half-hour biweekly music & variety show hosted by Dave Swan and produced by Heather McCollom. 8 pm, $8. Info/res: 885-0750.
Tim Miller in Sex/Love/Stories at Josie's Cabaret, see 1/7.

JAN 11 / MON

At Alexander Book Co: Todd Gitlin signs copies of his first novel, *The Murder of Albert Einstein*. 12:30-1:45 pm. 50 2nd St, SF. Info: 495-2992.
Reading & Talking Women Group spons by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders). Potluck supper, discussion. This month's title: *Animal Dreams* by Barbara Kingsolver. 6:30-8:30 pm, 77 Waller St, SF. Info: 626-7000.
Gay Comedy Open Mike at Josie's Cabaret with emcee Maureen Brownsey. 8 pm, $4. Aspiring lesbian & gay comics sign up by phone. Info: 861-7933. 3583 16th St at Market, SF.
Marin Gay Male Support Group, see 1/4.

JAN 12 / T U E

"Soul-Mates: Myth & Reality," a talk by Rev Jonathan, Church of Amron minister. 7 pm, free. Amron Metaphysical Ctr, 2254 Van Ness Ave, SF. Info: 775-0227.
Gay Men's Sketch: Male nude figure drawing for all skill levels. Classical nude modeling by Bill Milligan. 7 pm at 1229 Folsom St, SF. Reservations required, call 621-6294.
At A Clean Well-Lighted Place for Books: Bay Area journalist Carol Pogash reads from & discusses her new book, *As Real as it Gets: The Life of a Hospital at the Center of the AIDS Epidemic*. 7:30 pm. Author introduced by former SF mayor Art Agnos. Opera Plaza, 601 Van Ness Ave, SF. Info: 441-6670.

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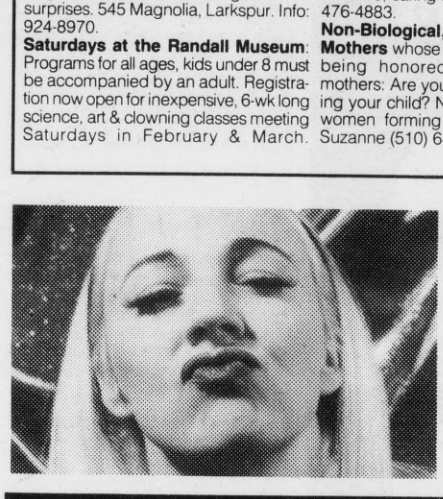
Project Share Monthly Info Gathering: For Oakland & Berkeley residents interested in finding shared housing or sharing their home. 2:30 pm at 3102 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: (510) 845-9030.
Lesbian Uprising! Book Group discusses the current issue of *Sinister Wisdom*, "Lesbian Resistance." For location & other info call Dail 441-6238.
At A Different Light Bookstore: 6:30 pm. Comic artist P Craig Russell discusses & signs his brand new illustrated *Fairy Tales of Oscar Wilde*. 489 Castro St, SF. Info: 431-0891.
NGLTF (Nat'l Gay & Lesbian Task Force) Mtg: Local unit of this national lesbian & gay rights organization meets 2nd & 4th Wed of each month at 6:30 pm at the Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St at Valencia, SF. Newcomers are encouraged to attend tonight's meeting, time will be set aside to answer your questions.
Audre Lorde Memorial at Mama Bears: An evening of affirmation & remembrance, with readings from her poetry & prose works. 7 pm, women only. Reservations suggested, call (510) 428-9684. 6536 Telegraph Ave, Oakl.
At A New Leaf Recovery Resource Store: "Legal, Non-Addictive & (Almost) Free: How to Use Sound & Music to Enhance Your Well-Being," a talk by Steven Halpern on how to use the power of music & sound to heal your life. 545 Magnolia, Larkspur. Info: 924-8970.

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Ageism Consciousness-Raising Group spons by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders) meets at 10 am. 9-session series meets every other Thurs thru 5/13. For location, reservations & other info call 626-7000 ext 135.
"Gains & Losses for Women & Minorities," a talk by TV journalist Belva Davis on what women & minorities stand to lose or gain in the coming years, and coalitions formed to insure attention to women's specific needs. Noon-1 pm, free. Spons by UCSF Women's Resource Center and the UCSF Dr Martin Luther King Jr Commemoration Committee. UCSF Toland Hall, 513 Parnassus Ave, SF. Info: 476-5836.
Men's Friendship Group spons by Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders) meets 2:45 pm at 711 Eddy St, SF. Info: 626-7000.
Rainbow's End lesbian, gay & bisexual youth group for ages 14-23, meets 6:30-9 pm. Call 457-1115 for info/location.
At A Different Light Bookstore: 7:30 pm. Poet/editor Edward Field reads from his new collection of poetry *Counting Myself Lucky, Selected Poems 1963-1992* and discusses work of the late Alfred Chester as collected by Field in the new anthology *Looking for Genet*. 489 Castro St, SF. Info: 431-0891.
At Modern Times Bookstore: Discussion of the late Jean Kennedy's *New Currents, Ancient Rivers: Contemporary African Artists in a Generation of Change*, about sub-Saharan African artists working in a variety of mediums, from painters to filmmakers. Kennedy's daughter, Mimi Wolford, prsents a slideshow of contemporary African art. 7:30 pm, free. Refreshments presented by Fana Ethiopian Restaurant. 888 Valencia St, SF.
New Horizons Rap Group for lesbian, gay & bisexual young people ages 22-29 meets 7:45-9:30 pm. Spons by Spectrum. For more info call 457-1115.
Pilot Project: Evening of danceworks by the new choreographers of the Margaret Jenkins Dance Co school (Maria Basil, Renee Beauvais, Ann Foley, Julie McDonald, Perry Salit & Michelle Stortz). 8 pm, $5. New Performance Gallery, 3153 17th St, SF. Info/res: 863-9834.
Women's Voices series at Old Wives' Tales Bookstore: Author Robbi Sommers (*Pleasures, Kiss & Tell*) reads from her new novel, *Uncertain Companions*, a science fiction tale exploring the outer dimensions of lesbian eroticism. 8 pm, $3-10 admission benefits Women's Voices, OWT's cultural events series. 1009 Valencia St at 21st, SF. Info: 821-4676.

parents & kids box

Marin Lesbian & Gay Parents Group meets 1/15. Childcare provided. For time, location & other info call 457-1115. Spons by Spectrum.
Children's Programs at La Pena: All events begin at 10:30 am; kids $2, adults $3. 1/9: **Plum City Players**, songs & stories with Annie, Bonnie & Nancy. 1/16: Amiguitos de La Pena present songs, stories & sign language with **Susan Alexander & Pam Johnson**. 1/23: **Mascaritas Puppet Theatre** present "Caps for Sale." 1/30: Amiguitos de La Pena present **Juanita Newland Ulloa** in a concert/demo of Latin American music with pre-Columbian instruments. 3105 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. Info: (510) 849-2568.
Children's Gardening Program at Strybing Botanical Gardens John Muir Nature Trail. Kids learn planting, composting & harvesting of vegetables, herbs, fruits & flowers in the children's garden. Call 661-0668.
Storytime at Cody's series for kids ages 4-10, each Sat at 11 am. 2454 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: (510) 845-7852. Call to confirm reading schedule.
Children's Storytime at A New Leaf Recovery Resource Store: 1/9, 1-1:45 pm for 4-8 yr olds; 2-2:45 pm for ages 8 & older. Children's storyteller Diana De Regnier shares stories, songs & other surprises. 545 Magnolia, Larkspur. Info: 924-8970.
Saturdays at the Randall Museum: Programs for all ages, kids under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Registration now open for inexpensive, 6-wk long science, art & clowning classes meeting Saturdays in February & March. Scheduled January classes last 1-2 hrs, schedule: 1/2, calendar workshop with Janai Southworth; learn about calendars from around the world, and create some of your own; $3 per person. 1/9: "Ancient Memories," with Patty Yancey; learn a simple printing process based on the Adinka Cloth of Ghana; $4 per person. 1/16: "Ceranimals," with Dennis Treanor; create creature sculpture from clay; $4 per person. 1/23: "Lion Head Building" with Leslie Yee Murata; make a Chinese lion head for Chinese New Year celebrations; $4 per person. 1/30: "Chinese Lion Dancing," with Henny Lee. Learn the history of Lion Dancing, watch or be a part of a short dance performance, $4 per person. Call 554-9600 for more info. 199 Museum Way, SF.
2nd Int'l Children's Film Festival at Pacific Film Archive in Berkeley: Wonderful selection of films for children presented at matinee screenings on Sat & Sun 1/9-2/27. Entertaining, high quality films from around the world. 1:30 pm 1/9, 10, 23, 24 & 30; 2/6, 7, 20 & 27. Pacific Film Archive, University Art Museum, 2625 Durant Ave, Berkeley. Tix $3 per person. Info/res: (510) 642-1412.
The Rainbow Clinic: New clinic at UCSF provides pediatric care for children of gay & lesbian parents in a sensitive, caring environment. Info/appt: 476-4883.
Non-Biological, Non-Legal or Other Mothers whose parental rights are not being honored by the biological mothers: Are you in danger of not seeing your child? New support group for women forming in the Eastbay. Call Suzanne (510) 644-0311 for info.



Connie Champagne stars in "This Is War" at Josie's Cabaret. Calendar has details.
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on stage

A Snake in the Vein by Alan Bowne. Explosive two-character one-act set in a NY drug clinic. A sensual, shattering black comedy. Theatre Rhino production. Run extended 1/7-2/6 at Theatre Rhino Studio, 2926 16th St, SF. Thurs-Sat at 8:30 pm. Info/res: 861-5079.
Together Again for the Very First Time, a delightfully comic romp thru the music of Broadway, with Jose Sarria, aka The Widow Norton and Tommi Rose, star emcee of Finocchio's Nightclub. Show opens New Year's eve, at 9 & 11 pm (tix $20, includes champagne), runs Sundays only, 1/10, 24 & 31 at 4 & 6:30 pm at The Blue Muse, 409 Gough St at Hayes, SF. Info/res: 626-7505.
The Colored Museum by George C. Wolfe. Hilarious, fast-paced, satirical revue examines the roots, heroes, behavior & aspirations of African-Americans. Oakland Emsemble Theatre production. Opens 1/14 at 8 pm, runs Thurs-Sat at 8 pm, matinees on Sat at 2 pm, Sun at 3 pm. Tix $11-25. Alice Arts Center, 1428 Alice St nr 14th, downtown Oakl. Info/res: (510) 763-7774.
Two Kafka One-Acts by Open Egg Theatre: **In the Penal Colony**, psychological drama in which an explorer, an unwitting spectator at a public execution, is asked to condone or condemn the method of execution. **A Hunger Artist** is about a man who "fasts" as a form of entertainment. Previews Wed-Thurs, 1/27-28 at 8 pm, $8. Opens 1/29 at 8 pm, $12; runs Thurs-Sun thru 2/14 at 8 pm; $10 Thurs & Sun, $12 Fri & Sat. Phoenix Theatre, 301 8th St at Folsom, SF. Info/res: 621-4423.
Once in a Blue Moon, cabaret musical featuring Scott Grinthal, Ann Marie Gutierrez, Greg MacKellan and musical director Lauren Mayer. Score includes forgotten, familiar & peculiar songs of great Broadway composers of the 20s, 30s & 40s. Opens 1/14 at 8 pm, $15. Runs Thurs-Fri at 8 pm, Sat at 6 & 9 pm, Sun at 3 pm; thru 1/30. Tix $15. Cable Car Theatre, 430 Mason St, SF. Info/res: 989-9132.
Timon of Athens by William Shakespeare. Satirical drama of a nobleman who runs out of money. Thick Description production. Opens 1/8 at 8 pm, runs weekends thru 1/31 at Noh Space, 2840 Mariposa, SF. Tix $8-12. Info/res: 621-0507.
Surrender by Lauren Felder. A multidisciplinary work centered around a brief, decisive crisis in the life of an ace military pilot. Theater Artaud production. Previews 1/10, runs Tues-Sat 1/12-16 at 8 pm. Tix: $8-10 preview, $10 adv, $12-15 SL fee at door, $8 stdnts under age 21. Info/res: 621-7797. 450 Florida St btwn 17th & Mariposa, SF.
Love (Sic) a multimedia performance piece by Art of the Matter & Marin Theatre Co, examining the realities of love, sex & aging for 3 women in their 40s. Runs Thurs-Sat 1/7-30 at 8:30 pm, $12. 397 Miller Ave, Mill Valley. Info/res: 388-5208.
The Hole by Ken Prestininzi. Stark yet human story of an underground man. The Marsh production. Runs Thurs-Sun, 1/9-2/14 at 8 pm. Tix: $7-10 Thurs, $12 Fri & Sat ($10 for srs, stdnts & financially disadvantaged), $8 Sun. The Marsh, 968 Valencia St nr 21st, SF. Info/res: 641-0235.
The Baby Dance by Jane Anderson. Gripping emotional drama questioning current attitudes on class, racism & the value of human life. Wanda & Al, a poor Louisiana husband & wife, must make a heartwrenching decision about the child they can't afford to keep. Play previews 1/10-14, runs thru 2/6. Tix $13-28. Info/res: (408) 291-2255.
A Normal Life by Erik Brogger. An arranged marriage promises to bring "a normal life" to a talented spinster in this endearing portrait of a Jewish family in 1930s New York. TheatreWorks production. Previews 1/14-15, runs thru 2/7 at Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts. Info/res: 329-2623.

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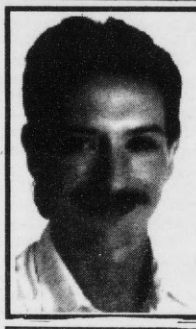
On Exhibit at the de Young: "William M Harnett," the first comprehensive exhibit of the 19th century still life painter's work, on exhibit thru 2/14. Golden Gate Park, SF. Hrs: Wed-Sun 10 am-5 pm. Fee: $8 gen'l, $4 kids age 12-17, $5 srs (65 & over), kids under 12 are free. Info: 750-3614.
SF Museum of Modern Art: "Richard Diebenkorn," a major traveling exhibition of paintings by Diebenkorn, plus two programs devoted to discussion of the artist's work, thru 1/24. "Jeff Koons," exhibit of work by the artist, dealing with issues of class, race, fame, sex, wealth & power; on exhibit thru 2/7. 401 Van Ness Ave, SF. Hrs: 10 am-5 pm, Tues, Wed & Fri; 10 am-9 pm Thurs; 11 am-5 pm Sat & Sun. Tix $4 gen'l, $2 srs & stdnts, kids under 13 are free. Info: 252-4000.
Asian Art Museum: Golden Gate Park, SF. Hrs: Wed-Sun, 10 am-5 pm. Admission $5 gen'l, $3 srs, $2 youth ages 12-17, free for kids under 12. Info: 668-7855.
Judah L Magnes Museum: 30th anniversary exhibit highlights the museum's important work in rescuing, preserving, encouraging & exhibiting Jewish art. Thru 2/17. Hrs: Sun-Thurs, 10 am-4 pm. Closed Jewish & federal holidays. Info: (510) 849-2710. 2911 Russell St, Berkeley.
Ansel Adams Center: 250 Fourth St, SF. "John Wilson White: A Photographic Installation," thru 1/17. "Elliott Erwitt: To the Dogs," snapshots of four-footed personalities, thru 1/17; "Annie Leibovitz Photographs," exhibit covering 20 years' worth of work, 1/27-3/14; "Maximum Repose: Portraits by Ansel Adams," thru 2/14. Hrs: Tues-Sun, 11 am-6 pm. $4 gen'l, $3 stdnts, $2 srs/youth 12-17, kids under 12 are free. Info: 495-7000.
Cartoon Art Museum: "Invisible Lives: The City of Will Eisner," 72 original drawings on exhibit 1/13-4/18; "This Modern World," exhibit of work by cartoonist Dan Perkins aka Tom Tomorrow, thru 2/14. 665 Third St at Townsend, SF. Hrs: 11 am-5 pm Wed-Fri, 10 am-5 pm Sat, Sun 1-5 pm. $3 gen'l, $2 stdnts & srs, kids 12 & under are free. Info: 546-3922.
The Clay Studio: 52 Julian Ave, SF. Hrs: Wed, Fri & Sat, 10 am-5 pm, or by appt. Info: 431-6296.
Eye Gallery: "Famine in the Horn of Africa," work by photographer/physician David Heiden, on exhibit thru 1/23. 1151 Mission St, SF. Hrs: Tues-Sat, noon-5 pm. Info: 431-6911.
Robert Koch Gallery: "Natura Morta," large color photos by Oakland artist Jo Whaley on exhibit thru 1/16. "Sarah Moon: Unlikeness," recent photos by the French photographer & filmmaker, 1/21-2/27. 49 Geary St, SF. Hrs: Tues-Sat 11 am-5:30 pm. Info: 421-0122.
SF Craft & Folk Art Museum: "Madeline De Joly: Libraries of Confluence," on exhibit 1/9-2/21, opening reception 1/12, 5-7 pm. Hrs: 11 am-5 pm, Tues-Sun; 10 am-5 pm, Sat. Ft Mason Ctr Bldg A, SF. Info: 775-0990.
SF Art Institute Walter/McBean Gallery: "In Progress," an exhibit of work by visiting faculty. Thru 1/18. "Fragen an Beuys (Question to Beuys)" invitational exhibit dealing with the ideas of German artist Joseph Beuys (1921-1986), exhibit includes works by several young artists acknowledging Beuys' continuing influence on contemporary art. 800 Chestnut St, SF. Hrs: Tues-Sat, 10 am-5 pm; Thurs till 8 pm. Info: 771-7020.
University Art Museum: "Edvard Munch and His Models, 1912-1944" on exhibit 1/20-3/21. "Cecilia Vicuna: El Ande Futuro," exhibit of evocative sculpture by Chilean-born artist Cecilia Vicuna, thru 1/31 in Matrix Gallery. "Max Ernst: The Sculpture," exhibit of work by this central figure in the Dada & Surrealist movements, thru 3/7 at UAM/Pacific Film Archive. "The Television of Dennis Potter," 36 programs, a retrospective of dramas by one of British television's most acclaimed writers. Includes Potter's "The Singing Detective" and "Pennies from Heaven" series, as well as the "Blackeyes" and "Casanova" series, single episode TV dramas & 3 films. All programs presented at UAM/Pacific Film Archive, 2625 Durant Ave, Berkeley. 2626 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Info: (510) 642-0808.
The Jewish Museum: 121 Steuart St btwn Mission & Howard, SF. Hrs: 10 am-6 pm Sun, Mon-Wed noon-6 pm, Thurs noon-8 pm. Closed Fri & Sat. $3 adults, $1.50 srs & stdnts, kids under 12 are free. Info: 543-8880.
Turn of the Century Fine Arts: Paintings & collage by Amy Trachtenberg, on exhibit thru 1/23. 2518 San Pablo Ave, Berkeley. Hrs: Noon-5 pm, Wed-Sat. Info: (510) 849-0950.
Morphos Gallery: "Patrick Carpenter: Recent Work," paintings & works on paper by Bay Area artist Patrick Carpenter, on exhibit thru 1/13. Hrs: Tues-Sat, noon-5 pm, Thurs noon-9 pm, and by appt. Info: 626-1936.
Vision Gallery: "Ruth Bernhard: The Gift of the Commonplace," still-life photography by the revered master photographer, on exhibit thru 1/16. Hrs: Mon-Fri, 9 am-6 pm. 1155 Mission St, SF. Info: 621-2107.
Mincher/Wilcox Gallery: Works by gay artist Nayland Blake, plus SF artist Bette Burgoyne's "Head," a series of sculpture & drawings. Thru 1/16. 228 Grant Ave, SF. Info: 433-4660.
The Owl Gallery: 465 Powell St, SF. Hrs: Tues-Sat 9 am-9 pm, Sun & Mon 10 am-6 pm. Info: 781-5464.
Vorpal Gallery: "Landscape & Still Life," exhibit of small-scale paintings by Roger Balabanow and mezzotints by Joop Vegter. Thru 1/10. 393 Grove St, SF. Info: 397-9200.
Richmond Art Center: "A Sense of Place: Public Art Projects & Proposals," exhibit examining the role of artists from different ethnic & cultural groups in public art in Calif, 1/5-3/21, opening reception 1/13, 5-8 pm. Hrs: Tues-Fri 10 am-4:30 pm; Sat-Sun noon-4:30 pm. Civic Center Plaza, Richmond. Info: (510) 620-6772.
NIAD Gallery: Exhibit of fiber arts works by Rose Kelly, Joanna Lindsly, Sara Long, Faith Ringgold, Ed Rossbach, Susan Thompson & Katherine Westphal. 1/13-2/28; opening reception 1/13, 5-8 pm. Hrs: Mon-Fri 9 am-4 pm, Sat 11 am-4 pm. 551 23rd St, Richmond. Info: (510) 620-0290.
Black & White Laser Prints & Collage Portraits by Robert Bass, on exhibit thru 1/15 at Higher Grounds, 3170 16th St at Guerrero, SF. Info: 252-5629.
Recent oil paintings & watercolors by Jeb Brady on exhibit at Linda Penzur Jewelry Studio & Gallery, thru 1/15. 71 Redhill Ave, San Anselmo.

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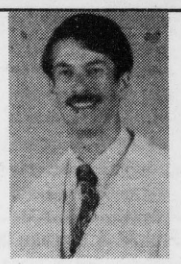
► AIDS RESOURCES

ACT UP/SF meets Thurs, 7:30 pm, at the Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St, SF. Direct action & civil disobedience to end the AIDS epidemic & the injustices around it. Call 563-0724 for info. WA.
ACT-UP/Golden Gate meets Tues at 7 pm at 539 Hayes St, SF CA 94102. Office: 252-9275. Hotline: 252-9200.
PISD (People with Immune System Disorder), a caucus of ACT UP, for all people with immune disorders. Call 563-0724 for info.
ACT-UP Eastbay meets Wed 7:30 pm. First Unitarian Church of Oakl, 14th & Castro, Oakl (3 blocks west of City Ctr BART Station). Info: (510) 836-4401.
ARC/AIDS Vigil: nonviolent, civil disobedience, political activist organization addresses AIDS issues thru direct contact with govt officials. Call 567-5412 for info.
New Friends: a group made up of people with AIDS who help those who have been newly diagnosed. Info: 928-5352.
AIDS/HIV Nightline: Provides nighttime emotional support for people concerned about AIDS or HIV infection. Run by SF Suicide Prevention, the Nightline is staffed by trained volunteers, Mon-Fri 9 pm-5 am, Sat & Sun 5 pm-5 am. Call 668-2437 or 1-(800) 273-2437.
AIDS Trials at NIAD/NIH: the National Institutes of Health recruits volunteers for inpatient & outpatient studies of new drugs & vaccines. For info call 1-800-243-7644. If you're accepted & enroll in a study, all travel expenses, & medical care provided at NIH, is free.
***Directory: HIV Clinical Trials** in the Bay Area*, a directory published & distributed by the Community Consortium. The goal of this directory is to make it easier for people with HIV disease to enter drug trails. It provides up-to-date, easily understood descriptions of currently available trials for people with HIV & their caregivers. Also answers basic questions about clinical trials & lists trial requirements & purposes. Updated 3 times a year. Free. For more info or to get a copy, call 476-9554.
The City of Berkeley offers free, anonymous blood-testing for the HIV virus at South Berkeley Women's Community Health Center, South Berkeley Community Church, 1802 Fairview St (enter at Ellis), Berkeley. Thurs 1-3:30 pm. Drop-in. For more info call (510) 644-8571 or (510) 601-8282 on Thurs.
AIDS Emergency Fund: A volunteer-run, community-funded agency that provides emergency financial aid to low-income persons with AIDS/disabling ARC in the 9 Bay Area counties. Info: 441-6407. 1550 California St #7, SF 94109.
People with AIDS-SF: sponsors educational forums & newsletter, addresses research, public policy & other issues. Info: 553-2560.
Women's Support Group: open to any women diagnosed with AIDS. Info: Shanti Project 777-CARE.
Youth & Children's Groups: ongoing support for those diagnosed, & for children of people with AIDS, divided by age categories. Info: Shanti Project 777-CARE.
BAY (Bay Area Youth) Positives: Offers several support group for adolescents & young adults dealing with HIV. Group helps minimize the stress felt among young people who are HIV+. Free. Spons by AIDS Health Project. For mtg locations, times & other info call Julie Graham 386-4615 or Scott Walker 206-3157.
Bay Area HIV Support & Education Services deals with issues & problems surrounding HIV & its impact on multicultural, multiracial communities. Provides support groups for gay/bisexual men of all colors in SF & Oakl. Also provides transportation assistance to medical appts & to pick up medication to HIV positive people in SF. Info: 749-6714. Fax: 749-6706.
Rafiki Services Project provides practical & emotional support volunteer training; and services specifically geared toward African-American people with AIDS & HIV-related illnesses. For info contact Rodney Gooden 346-5860
Marin AIDS Project Emotional & practical support for persons with AIDS/HIV & their loved ones. Outreach & education. Info: 457-2487.
ARC/AIDS Drop-In Group for men with AIDS-related conditions or symptomatic HIV disease. Support, info, stress management. Thurs 6-8 pm. Operation Concern, 1853 Market St, SF. Free. No adv reg required. Info: 626-7000.
HIV+ Drop-in Group for men testing positive. Wkly mtgs, 6-8 pm, free. Operation Concern, 1853 Market St, SF. Info: 626-7000.
HIV Dual Diagnosis Program spons by Operation Concern: Provides intake, assessment, psychiatric consultation & monitoring, counseling & psychotherapy, case management & referrals, for HIV positive lesbians & gay men whose diagnoses are complicated by psychiatric disorders and/or substance abuse. Info: 626-7000.
AIDS Health Project offers prevention programs; mental health, substance abuse & antibody counseling; AIDS health professional training program & a guide to AIDS Research. Info: 1855 Folsom St, Ste 506, SF. 476-6430.
Third World People with AIDS/ARC meet in Oakl. Info: AIDS Project of the Eastbay (510) 420-8181
SF Kaiser Permanente Med Ctr offers HIV + groups (for gay men, for non-gay men & women); ARC groups (for gay men, for women & non-gay men); groups for parents whose children have AIDS; for caretakers (lovers, spouses, friends & others) of people with AIDS/ARC; & for those grieving after losing someone to AIDS. Also offers HIV forums on a variety of issues. Free, open to all Kaiser members, their families & friends.
Kaiser Oakland offers drop-in groups dealing with AIDS/HIV issues. Call Marsha Blachman, LCSW (510) 596-6305. For info on ongoing, closed support groups call Lee Horzempa, LCSW (510) 596-6344; for info on HIV Education forums call Joe De Milia 596-6848.
Kaiser Movement & Exercise: ongoing 10-session, non-intensive therapeutic movement & exercise class for people with AIDS/HIV & other immunodeficiecies, spons by CCCATF & Kaiser Permanente. Wed 3-4 pm, $10/10 wks. Stanwell Bldg, 1634 Newell Ave, Walnut Creek. Drop in OK ($2/session). Info: (510) 943-2771.
Kaiser Patients Advocacy Union (KPAU): consumer activist group assists HIV-positive Kaiser patients, family & friends who are having problems with medical care & services at Kaiser. Newsletter, mtgs, confidential hotline, & lobbying—call 621-3409.
Gazebo at Davies Medical Ctr: an educational ctr for PWAs & HIVers. Get help interpreting lab work; info on clinical trials; nutrition, breathing & body awareness; legal advise (wills, living trusts, power of attorney) & more. For info & calendar of events call 565-6369, Mon-Fri 10 am-4 pm. Castro & Duboce Sts, SF.
SF AIDS Foundation Client Services Dept provides a variety of direct services for persons with AIDS & ARC: financial benefits counseling, info & referral, advocacy, women's & people of color services, emergency housing, food bank & more. For info call 864-5855.
Face to Face/Sonoma County AIDS Network: counseling & in-home care for people with AIDS & ARC in Sonoma County. Also support groups. Info: Face to Face/Sonoma County AIDS Network, POB 1599, Guerneville, CA 95446; or call (707) 887-1581.
The AIDS/ARC Blood Fund for people with AIDS is available by calling the Harvey Milk Lesbian/Gay Demo Club's Blood Fund Coordinator, 863-6761.
Project Open Hand delivers hot meals & groceries to people with AIDS or disabling HIV disease in SF, Oakl & Berk. Food Bank at Church & Duboce, SF, provides groceries only. No one refused service because of inability to pay. A letter of diagnosis/referral is all that's necesssary to receive service. Info: (415) 558-0600 or (510) 548-8909.
The Family Link provides housing for friends & family of people with AIDS who are visiting from outside the Bay Area. Info: 346-0770.
ARIS Project: emotional, practical wkly support groups for people w/AIDS, ARC, HIV pos., & their loved ones. Also volunteer training. Call (408) 370-3272.
Contra Costa County AIDS Program: County government program. Offers community support groups & education. 597 Center Ave, Ste 200, Martinez, CA 94553. For info or to volunteer: (510) 313-6770.
Contra Costa County AIDS Task Force: Offers emotional & practical support to people with AIDS/ARC, their families & loved ones. Support groups, outreach, education. Info: (510) 932-AIDS. 2326 Boulevard Circle, Walnut Creek, 94595-1153.
San Mateo County AIDS Project: spons by the Dept of Health Services. Info: AIDS Project Coordinator 573-2588.
AIDS Ministry of MCC-SF: provides support to persons with AIDS & other life-threatening & chronic illnesses, their family & friends. Support groups, monthly potlucks dinners, healing services, spiritually-based training for caretakers & more. Info: 863-4434. 150 Eureka St, SF.
PAWS (Pets Are Wonderful Support) provides direct services so people with AIDS/ARC can keep their pets. Also places pets in foster & permanent homes as needed. Info: 824-4040.
SHARE (Special Human & Animal Relationships) program of Marin Humane Society offers services to Marin County PWAs with pets. Info: 883-4621.
The Godfather Service Fund: provides care packages (toiletry, bathrobes, slippers & teddy bear) to people with AIDS/ARC/HIV in 12 SF hospitals. To volunteer or make contributions call 565-4433 or write 584 Castro St #225, SF 94114.
The Rest Stop Support Center is a place for and by people with AIDS/ARC/HIV+, and their friends. Drop-in for some coffee & conversation. Ctr sponsors attitudinal healing support groups & activities. Theater classes (theater games, improv, production, both beg & adv folks are welcome), art wkshops, social gatherings & more. For group mtg times & other info call 621-1701. All events are free.
Shanti Project offers emotional, practical & residential support to people with AIDS, their friends, families & loved ones. 525 Howard St, SF. PWA Support Groups: daytime—Tues, Thurs, Fri; eves—Tues, Wed, Thurs. Friends, Family & Lovers Support Group: Wed & Thurs eves; Coping with Loss & Grief Support Group—Thurs eve. For info/location, or to volunteer as an emo-

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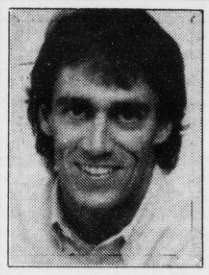


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Ellipse-Peninsula AIDS Services offers 1-1 & group emotional support for persons with AIDS & ARC, their families & significant others. Also info/referrals; case management/coordination & attendant care services. Extensive volunteer activities available. Info: 572-9702.

AIDS Interfaith Support Committee of Sonoma County: persons of any faith tradition welcome (707) 762-0107.

AIDS Interfaith Network of the Eastbay: monthly healing services. 2nd Sun, 3 pm, Lake Merritt United Methodist Church, 3755 13th St at Park, Oakl. Info: (510) 523-5011.

AIDS Interfaith of Marin: Diverse group of clergly & spiritual seekers who serve persons with AIDS, their families, friends, loved ones & caregivers. Info: Rev Dave Martin 457-1129 or write to 1000 Sir Francis Drake Blvd, #12, San Anselmo, 94960.

The Center for AIDS Services provides compassionate support services for perople with AIDS/ARC/HIV & their caregivers in Alameda County. Day Center (meals, housing referrals, therapeutic massage, social activities, laundry & shower facilities, support group & van transportation); Counseling (advocacy, referrals, in-depth psychotherapy); Volunteer Services (provide assistance with cooking, cleaning, shopping, transportation, etc); Food Bank (groceries & nutritional supplements). 5720 Shattuck Ave, Oakl 94609. (510) 655-3435.

Van Transportation Program for people with AIDS/ARC/HIV in Alameda County. Transport to & from healthcare appts. Info: The Center (510) 655-3435.

Interreligious Coalition on AIDS, a network of AIDS caregivers from the SF religious community, offers a directory of AIDS-sensitive clergy from a diverse range of religious traditions and ethnic backgrounds. Info: Bob Nelson 558-7066.

Kairos Support for Caregivers: resource ctr in the Castro for caregivers of those affected by the AIDS epidemic. Helps caregivers deal with emotional issues. Gives guidance in caring for one's own mind, body & spirit. Support groups, wkshops, social activities, information sharing, counseling. Info: 861-0877.

Immune Enhancement Program offers low-cost research and treatment programs for AIDS/ARC & asymptomatic HIV+ persons using Chinese herbs in tablet forms. Program is directed by Michael Young and run in cooperation with the Institute for Traditional Medicine, Portland, Oregon. Program includes T-cell assays, monthly acupuncture sessions, herbal consults, and all herbal tablets needed. Low-cost, $190, made possible by grants. 3450 16th St, SF. Info: 252-8711.

AIDS Project of the East Bay sponsors support groups throughout the Bay Area for people with AIDS/ARC. Info: (510) 834-8181.

Parents Support Group: for parents of children living with AIDS/ARC. Open to parents with children of any age, facilitated by two parents of a person with AIDS. Issues that arise for parents can be difficult to deal with alone, come talk to other parents who've been there. Oakland location. Spons by AIDS Project of the East Bay. Info: (510) 834-8181.

Parents & Family Support Group: wkly drop-in group gives support to families of origin of people with AIDS. Wed 7-9 pm at Coming Home Hospice, 115 Diamond St, SF. Spons by Visiting Nurses & Hospice of SF. Info: Gail Bigelow 861-8705.

Lovers, Friends, & Family of People with AIDS/ARC Group meets in Berkeley. Mon 6-8 pm. Info: AIDS Project of the East Bay (510) 834-8181.

Project Inform: Provides info on available treatments for HIV/AIDS (both experimental & FDA-approved), and conducts advocacy work on public policy issues affecting treatment access. Services include national toll-free hotline; fact sheets & bulletins; and more. 1965 Market St, Ste 220, SF 94103. Call (415) 558-9051 or (800) 334-7422.

Treatment Action Network (TAN): grass-roots advocacy group launched by Project Inform. TAN is a nat'l network of activists who contact elected officials, govt administrators & drug companies to lobby for critical HIV treatment & research issues. For more info & action updates, call (415) 558-9051 in SF or (800) 334-7422 in Calif, (800) 822-7422 elsewhere in the US.

SF Public Library for the Blind & Print Handicapped offers audio tapes & records to SF residents who can't read print due to physical illness or disability. Unabridged reading material & the equipment needed to play it provided free. All exchanges can be done by mail. Info: 558-5035.

Couples Group for people with AIDS & their partners. Deal with improving communication, problem-solving & other relationship issues. 6 wk groups start every other month. For info call AIDS Health Project 476-6430

Couples Support Group spons by Shanti Project. A group for couples where one or more partners has AIDS. Info: 777-CARE.

Berkeley HIV + Support Group: free, confidential, professionally-facilitated group meets wkly in eves. Limited membership. Low-cost individual counseling also available for PWA/ARC/HIV-positive. Info: Pacific Ctr (510) 841-6224.

HIV-positive/ AIDS Support Groups spons by Project Eden. Groups for PWAs, HIV-positive people, their lovers, friends & families. A safe place to share feelings. Mon & Wed. Info: (510) 887-0566.

San Joaquin AIDS Foundation: 4410 North Pershing Ave, Ste C-5, Stockton. PO Box 8277, Stockton, CA 95208. (209) 476-8533. 1st & 3rd Mon of each month: "Gather Round" support group for the HIV+, persons with AIDS/ARC; 6:30-8 pm at SJAF office. 2nd & 4th Tues: "Hand to Hand" support group for SJAF volunteers, 7 pm at SJAF office. Every Wed: "Stockton Connection" gay rap group discusses safe sex, AIDS, health issues & lifestyle management.

Home Care Wkshops: 17-hr wkshops offered by Home Care Companions, a nonprofit organization. For friends/family taking care of HIV patients in the home. Expand your knowledge of home nursing, social services, legal, medical & psychological issues. Info: 824-3269.

Men's Couples Group: focus on the stress of coping with a partners' illness or anxieties. Mon eves, 7:30-9 pm, free. Spons by AIDS Project of the Eastbay. Info: (510) 834-8181.

Lovers, Family & Friends of People with AIDS/ARC. Operation Concern's AIDS Family Project offers individual, couple & family counseling; plus support groups for the loved ones of people with AIDS/ARC. Info: 626-7000.

AIDS Legal Referral Panel: assists persons with AIDS, ARC or serious HIV infection on a wide range of legal problems, including wills & powers of attorney, housing difficulties, government benefits, employment programs & other issues. Services are free or reduced fee. Call 291-5454.

Insurance/Employee Benefits Legal Clinic for people with HIV infection. Free 45 min consultation with a lawyer to address your insurance questions or problems. Every Thurs, 6:15-8:30 pm. By appointment only, call the AIDS Legal Referral Panel: 291-5454.

Bankruptcy/Creditor Problems Legal Clinic for People with HIV Infection: Free presentation by a bankruptcy lawyer concerning how to handle creditor problems, plus free one-on-one consultation. 2nd Wed of every month, 6:30-8:30 pm, at the Gazebo, Davies Medical Center, Castro & Duboce, SF. Info/reg: AIDS Legal Referral Panel 291-5454.

Shanti Project Residences: Shanti provides low-cost, longterm housing to people with AIDS. Each of 12 residence houses are home to 3-6 people. Private bedrooms, all other living spaces shared. Resident Advocates assist with home health care, transportation, medical intervention of social services. Residents pay ¼ of their monthly income as rent. For info on renting housing or to make a donation: Shanti Residence Care rogram 777-CARE.

Peter Claver Community offers housing to persons with AIDS or ARC who are homeless or unable to secure stable housing. Info: 563-9228. Spons by Catholic Charities AIDS/ARC program.

JFCS AIDS Project: Jewish Family & Childrens' Service offers services to Jewish people with AIDS & ARC, their loved ones & families: counseling, case management, PWA/PWARC support group looking at illness in a Jewish context, emergency financial assistance, meal delivery, practical support volunteers, & support for out-of-town family members. Also speakers' bureau. Coordinator: Jody Reiss 561-1241. 1600 Scott St, SF 94115.

Emergency Health Fund spons by Catholic Charities: provides funds for PWAS/PWARC with incomes of less than $1000/month, to help in emergency situations. Info: 864-7400, ask for the AIDS/ARC Division.

GAPA Community HIV Project: Spons by the Gay Asian Pacific Alliance, this group provides emotional & pratical support, including counseling, housekeeping, shopping, hospital & home visits, running errands, and preparing special meals. For more info contact Lori Lee 575-3939.

Group for Gay Asian & Pacific Islander Men—Thurs 7:30-9 pm. Spons by Gay Asian Pacific Alliance. Info: 554-9760.

Drop-In Group on AIDS/HIV for Asian and Pacific Islander Men. Free. Find out about HIV testing, what puts you at risk, health monitoring, early intervention, HIV treatment, negotiating relationships and safer sex. Group & invidual consultations are available. Tues & Thurs 6-8 pm, Health Center #1, 3850 17th St btwn Sanchez & Noe, SF. Info: GAPA Community HIV Project 575-3939, Filipino Task Force on AIDS 703-9880, Japanese American AIDS Project 563-0553.



Marla BB presents blues and jazz at the Freight & Salvage in Berkeley. For details, check Calendar. Photo by Susan Wilson

Diablo Valley AIDS Ctr: the only drop-in center for people with AIDS in Contra Costa County. Hrs: Mon-Fri 9 am-9 pm. Info: (510) 686-DVAC or write PO Box 139, Concord CA 94522.

Napa Valley AIDS Project provides education, support groups, benefits counseling, volunteer services & more for HIV + Napa County residents. Info: (707) 258-2437.

Ayurveda Health & Education Resources SF: Nonprofit provides restorative & adjunctive approaches to healthcare to relieve the imbalances & stress related to HIV infection. Info: 255-1928.

Pacific Center, Berkeley, offers several peer-support groups for people with HIV & AIDS. Call (510) 548-8283 for info.

The Immigrant HIV Assistance Project of the Bar Association of SF provides free legal assistance for HIV positive immigrants residing in SF who need help with their immigration cases. Call 267-0795 for more info.

The Healing Circle: Support group for people dealing with HIV and/or other healing and growth issues. Men & women welcome. Meets every Thurs at 8 pm. 60 Brady St, SF. Info: David 641-4952.

Food for Thought: AIDS food program for people with AIDS & ARC in Sonoma County. Free groceries, sundries. For info, or to volunteer or donate, write PO Box 1357, Guerneville, CA 95446 or call (707) 887-1647.

Gay Rescue Mission helps people with AIDS/HIV thru transitional housing, low-income shared housing resources, grocery bags, clothing, personal care items, referrals. For info call 863-0516, 9 am-5 pm, Mon-Fri.

The Living Room (Revival Inc): a social club for people with AIDS, ARC & HIV+ & for all who are concerned & care. Not a support group, not a bar, but an alternate social setting for those seeking a quality atmosphere. Wheelchair Accessible. 4035 18th St at Castro (next to Hot 'n Hunky). Call 252-1150 for hours & other info.

STOP AIDS Mtgs for gay & bisexual men. Meet 12-15 other guys for a one-time, free, informal mtg to talk about safe sex, coping with the epidemic, & what you can do to help end it. Evenings & wkend mtgs. Call Randy or Buck at STOP AIDS Project for reg/info: 621-7177.

Healing Alternatives Foundation (HAF) maintains public HIV/AIDS Treatment & Resource Library. Also Buyer's Club offers substantial savings on products aimed at improving the health of PWAs/HIV+, including vitamins, minerals, herbals and more. Payment accepted thru AIDS Emergency Fund & Catholic Charities. Volunteers receive addt'l discounts on products. Hrs: Tues-Fri, noon-6 pm, Sat noon-5 pm. 1748 Market St at Valencia, SF. Info: 626-2316.

African-American Men with AIDS/ARC/HIV: support group: emotional support, benefits counseling, education & info. Mon at 6:30 pm. SF AIDS Foundation, 25 Van Ness Ave, SF. Info: 864-5855.

American Indian AIDS Institute: Provides education & prevention as well as case management & practical support services for HIV + American Indians. Referrals are welcome. One-on-one mental health services available. 333 Valencia St #200, SF 94103. Call 626-7639.

In-Home Counseling Center provides counseling on a donation basis for people with AIDS/ARC/HIV. Info: 931-6151.

Federal Benefits Seminars: twice-monthly seminar spons by the Client Services Dept of SF AIDS Foundation, for federal employees with AIDS or ARC. Focus is on the benefits package available to federal employees who are currently employed, as well as those considering separation. The hour-long seminar is held 3rd Thurs of the month at 11 am & 4th Thurs at 5 pm, and is led by a rep from the Dept of Health & Human Services. At SF AIDS Fdn Client Services Office, 25 Van Ness Ave, SF, 6th floor. Info/res: call the on-duty social worker 864-5855, pre-reg by phone is required.

Services for deaf & hearing impaired people infected with HIV: Offered by the UCSF Center on Deafness (UCCD) & the Hearing Society. Mental health services, hearing aid & decoding equipment loans, and more. Call Florrie Burke at the Center on Deafness, 476-4980 (voice), 476-7600 (TDD) or Jerry Friedman at the Hearing Society, 863-4710 (voice), 863-2550 (TDD).

EACH (Early Advocacy & Care for HIV) provides info about HIV early intervention, HIV/AIDS treatments & clinical trials. One-on-one cosultations to help HIV-positive men with info, access & referrals to free medical care & other services. Spons by the Gay Men of Color Consortium for gay & bisexual men of all colors. 944 Market St, corner of Mason, SF. Ste 210. Info: 403-3800.

Tenderloin AIDS Resource Ctr: Serves the Tenderloin & South of Market communities. Info & referral, client advocacy, counseling, community education, case management, street outreach, support groups, assitance with the social service & health care system. Bilingual services available. (English/Spanish) services available. Free. Mon-Fri 9 am-5 pm. Info: 431-7476.

Persons With AIDS Theatre: Offers workshops & support groups; plus stage performances, fundraisers. All theatre staff are volunteers, all services free. 140 Page St, SF. Ste 3. Info: 863-1632.

Lesbians with HIV: Individual psychotherapy & case management offered; groups & couples treatment available. Free. Spons by Operation Concern. For info call Miriam or Nan 252-6076.

Multi-Problem Drop-In Group for HIV positive men with substance use &/or mental health concerns at Operation Concern. Free. No reg necessary. 1853 Market St, SF. Tues 5:30-6:30 pm. Call 626-7000.

Can We Talk? Transgender Support Group meets at the Tenderloin AIDS Resource Center. Wed 1-3 pm. 187 Golden Gate Ave, SF. Info: Sheri 431-7476.

Santa Clara County HIV/AIDS Program provides medical evaluation, ongoing monitoring, treatment, benefits & nutritional counseling, case management & referrals at its Early Intervention Project. The Alternative Test Site provides free anonymous HIV antibody testing, with counseling & referral. 976 Lenzen Ave, San Jose. Info: (408) 299-4151.

SF Dept of Social Services offers the In Home Supportive Services program (557-5251) to provide assistance so that people with AIDS may remain in their homes (those with their own caretakers may receive reimbursent); other programs offered include: General Assistance (call 558-1095 to avoid waiting in lines), AFDC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children (557-5721), MediCal (863-9892 or 557-5676 if a home visit is needed) & Homeless (557-6201) programs. Adult Protective Services program (557-5230) offers aid to victims of abuse. The HIV Family Services program (557-5403) offers assistance to AFDC families affected by HIV. The Fragile Infant Care Program (557-5157) finds foster parents for infants with HIV infection or AIDS, and recruits foster parents for this program.

CURAS (Community United in Response to AIDS/SIDA) provides support to the Latino community thru education, emotional & practical support; case management, client advocacy, counseling, support groups, social activities y mucho amor. All services bilingual, confidential & free. Bimonthly newsletter, "Impacto." 347 Dolores St #113, SF. Volunteers needed. Info: 255-2732.

Nutrition & HIV: Free discussion group/class in SF. Led by a registered dietician. For info/location call (510) 547-7893.

The HIV Connection? Group composed of a broad spectrum of people who question the prevailing theory that HIV is a lethal virus which causes AIDS. Send SASE to The HIV Connection? 1072 Folsom St, Ste 321, SF 94103 for more info.

Quan Yin Healing Arts Ctr offers affordable acupuncture & Chinese herbal therapies, plus several "methods of massage, for people living with HIV. Staff includes Western medical doctor & team of experienced HIV-certified acupuncturists & massage therapists. Hrs: Tues-Fri, 1-6 pm, Sat 9 am-3 pm. 1748 Market St at Valencia, SF. Info: 861-4964.

Japanese American AIDS Project: Nihongo o hanasu nihonjin gay to lesbian no tame no AIDS ni kansuru soupan. Nihongo de dou 20 Japanese Community Youth Council, 1840 Sutter St, Ste 207, SF. Info: 563-0553.

ARC/AIDS Vigil: See Political.

HIV +/AIDS Support Group in Oakland: Informal, safe space to address concerns, share info. For anyone in any stage of HIV infection. Meets Thurs at 6 pm. Info: Gai (510) 531-2448.

HIV + Lesbian Support Group meets Mon 6-8 pm. Info: Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services 565-7683. Free. WA.

Lesbian/Bisexual Women & their HIV+ Women Partners Couples Support Group meets alternating Thurs, 6-8 pm. Info: Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services 565-7683. Free. WA.

Lesbian/Bisexual Women Partners of HIV+ Women Support Group meets alternating Thurs, 6-8 pm. Info: Lyon Martin Women's Health Services 565-7683. WA. Free.

HIV+ African American Women's Support Group spons by Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services. Call 565-7683 for details. WA. Free.

Women's AIDS Network provides info, referrals & advocacy for women affected by HIV/AIDS and women service providers. Programs/services include speaker's bureau, educational resources developoent, special events & developing strategies for focusing HIV services & education toward women. Small emergency grants available to women with HIV/AIDS. Mtg held every first Tues of the month in SF. For details call voicemail 864-4376 ext 2007.

UCSF Positive Education Project conducts continuing education groups to help HIV positive gay men cope with the stress of living with HIV disease. If you T-cell count is btwn 200-500 call 597-9141.

AIDS Info BBS: Computerized info about treatments, studies, contacts, assistance & more. Periodical newsletters, newspaper articles & comments by and for PWA. 8-N-1, 24 hrs. 2400/1200 baud. Free since 7/25/85. Use modem to call (415) 626-1246.

Tai Chi Workout: Free to people with HIV. One hour of slow, therapeutic exercises based on the Chinese Tai Chi Chuan and Chi Kung forms. Relaxing, stress-reducing & invigorating. Supportive, no-push atmosphere. Meets Mon & Wed, 5:30-6:30 pm, 50 Oak St nr Van Ness & Market, SF. Info: Emilio 255-0265.

St Mary's Hospital & Med Center offers HIV & AIDS support group for gay & bisexual men living with HIV disease. Tues 5:30-7 pm, free. Led by two facilitators. Group discussion focuses on the emotional aspects of living with HIV disease and/or having AIDS. 3-month commitment required. Call Korey Wong 750-4923 for interview/info.

► ADDICTION RECOVERY

Iris Project (division of the Women's Institute for Mental Health) provides help for women wanting to achieve & maintain sobriety; and is one of the few agencies providing services specifically for lesbians. Groups include: early, middle & ongoing recovery; women of color; HIV + lesbians; lesbian relationships in later recovery; & an education group. Individual counseling provided. For info/intake appt call 864-2364 (for middle or later recovery groups) or drop in at orientation (Tues-Thurs at 3 pm) for early recovery group & individual counseling. 333 Valencia St, SF. Ste 222.

Women's Alcoholism Ctr provides residential, outpatient & educational services for women, children & families. 2261 Bryant St, SF. Info: 282-8900.

Smith House detox center for women. Six-bed, non-medical alcoholic detox facility designed by women for women, spons by Haight Ashbury Free Clinics. Info: 387-0244

Acceptance Place provides residential drug & alcohol treatment for gay men. 673 San Jose, SF. Info: 695-1708.

Baker New Place provides residential drug & alcohol treatment for men & women who are HIV positive. 1375 Grove St, SF. Info: 346-6193.

Secular Organizations for Sobriety (SOS), alternative support group for recovering alcoholics & addicts. SOS appeals especially to persons who may be uncomfortable with the "Higher-Power" concepts of more traditional religious or 12-Step groups. Info: SF—255-1622, EB—534-8638), No Calif—332-1418.

16 Steps to Empowerment: Group for people who feel left out or turned off by 12 Step groups. Meets Wed at 5:30 pm. For info call Christine 661-5716 or Elisabeth 928-3679.

AJIRA (Addicted Jews in Recovery Anonymous). Wkly mtgs for AA, NA & OA members at SF Jewish Community Ctr, 3200 California St, SF. For times & other info: Claire Silver 346-6040 ext 240.

Pagan Womyn's Group for Recovery: For womyn recovering from addictions, abuse & patriarchy. Earth-centered spiritual perspective. Sat 1-2:30 pm at Pacific Ctr, 2717 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: Maggie (510) 874-4987.

Lesbians in Recovery meet once a month for fun & mutual support, call 664-1295 for info/location.

Overcoming Violent Behavior Anonymous-SF: see Incest & Battery.

Men-Only Weight Watchers Group meets Wed 6:30 pm at MCC-SF.

Lesbian Overeaters Anon Mtg: every Tues, 8-9:15 pm at Metropolitan Community Church (MCC)-SF, 150 Eureka St at 18th, SF. Everyone welcome.

Free Drop-in Group for lesbians, gay men & bisexual women & men with alcohol and/or other drug problems. Thurs eves 7-8 pm. Info, support & referral regarding substance abuse problems. Spons by Operation Recovery (part of Operation Concern.) 1853 Market, SF. Wheelchair Accessible. Info: 626-7000 V/TTY.

Quit Smoking Clinic: 8-session courses for smokers who are serious about quitting. Led by ex-smokers. $35. Limited enrollment. Spons by SF Dept of Public Health. Info/res: 554-9763.

Operation Recovery (part of Operation Concern) provides group & individual counseling for lesbians, gay men & bisexual women & men with alcohol and/or other drug problems. People with other mental health problems or taking psychiatric medication, or living with HIV, are welcome. SL fee, no one refused service for inability to pay. Info/intake appt: 626-7000 V/TTY. Wheelchair Accessible. 1853 Market St, SF.

Men's Sexual Addiction 12-Step Group (SLAA) at the Parsonage. Focus on recovery and fellowship. Wed at 8 pm. Free. 555A Castro St, SF.

Lesbian Sex & Love Addicts Anonymous Mtg (Lesbians Living in the

Solution) meets Mon nights at 6:30 pm at The Meeting Place, 2187 Market St at 15th, SF. Room B. Come work on issues around sex, love, relationships & romance in a safe, anonymous 12-step environment.

Adult Children of Alcoholics Gay & Lesbian Mtg: 8 pm Wed nights in the Castro district at MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St, SF. Room 104. Info: Pauline 428-1048.

Self-Mutilators Anonyous (SMA) of SF: Meets 1st & 3rd Sat of each month, 6:30-7:30 pm in the Castro. This is a closed meeting, please call (510) 538-4563 for more info. SMA is a recovery program based on the 12 Steps.

Self-Mutilators Anonymous (SMA) Sonoma County: 2nd & 4th Tues, 7:30-8:30pm in Petaluma. This is a closed meeting. Please call (707) 528-9216 for info.

For More Listings under this category, see the *SF Bay Times* classifieds section, "Open Exchange", under the **"Recovery/Addiction Therapy/Support Groups"** heading.

► ARCHIVES

The Gay & Lesbian Historical Society of Northern California collects, preserves & disseminates materials related to local gay & lesbian experience. Also sponsors public programs & wkshops on lesbian/gay history. Info: 626-0980, or write: GLHSNC, PO Box 424280, SF, 94142. Hrs: Sat & Sun 2-5 pm, or by appt. You must call ahead before coming to Archives.

Lesbian & Gay Books & Magazines available at the Eureka Valley Harvey Milk Memorial Branch Library, 3555 16th St, SF. 3-wk loan. Hrs: Mon, Thurs, Fri 1-6 pm; Tues 10 am-6 pm; Wed 1-9 pm. Donations of lesbian & gay material, bequests or checks payable to the Gay & Lesbian Collection (SFPLGLC) are very welcome (and tax deductible). Info: 554-9445.

Women's Cancer Resource Ctr Library: Research & lending library contains books, periodicals and clipping files about cancer and women's health issues. Library will mail out info & answers questions over the phone. Hrs: Tues 2-5 pm, Wed 4-7 pm, Sat noon-4 pm. Info: (510) 548-9272. 3023 Shattuck Ave at Emerson, Berkeley.

► BISEXUAL GROUPS

Bay Area Bisexual Network: umbrella organization for bisexual groups, resources & people. Open to everyone, whether or not they consider themselves bisexuals. Info: 564-BABN.

North American Multicultural Bisexual Network (NABN) acts as a clearinghouse for resources, AIDS info & political alerts. Focus on visibility, education, pride. For info contact NABN, 584 Castro St, #422, SF 94114 or call 775-1990.

Bisexual Women's Rap at Pacific Center: A safe place for Bi women. Drop-in group for women interested in bisexuality. ASL interpretation available by prior arrangement. Wheelchair Accessible. Wed 8-9:45 pm at Pacific Center, Berkeley. Info: (510) 548-8283.

Bisexual Women of Color Group: Social/support group for bisexual women. Lesbian women welcome. Info: 922-1021.

Bi Women's Support Group: Meet other bi women, talk & share experiences in an informal setting. Group meets twice monthly. Info/location: Valerie 641-1308.

Bisexual Men of Color Group: Support group for bisexual men of color meets last Thurs of each month at 7 pm in Oakl. Info/location: (510) 465-9671.

Bisexual Rap Group: Drop-in group for men & women interested in bisexuality. Warm, friendly people. Meets Sun 7-8:550 pm at Pacific Ctr, 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: (510) 548-8283.

BFSF (BiFriendly-SF): social group open to bisexuals & bifriendly others. BFSF meets 7 pm Mon at Village Deli, 495 Castro St, SF for dinner & conversation with other bisexuals & friends. For confirmation, other activities/calendar: 753-0687.

Bi-Friendly UC: support group followed by social. All members of the UC Berkeley/UCSF community are welcome. Info/location: Davey (510) 235-6657.

Bi-Friendly Eastbay: Call Betsy (510) 845-7441 for mtg location, time & other info.

Bi-Friendly South Bay (BFSB) bisexual social group for men, women & bifriendly others in the South Bay/Peninsula area. Meets 2nd & 4th Mon of each month at Vicolo Pizzeria, 473 University Ave in Palo Alto at 7:30 pm. For info call 856-6901.

Side by Side peer support group for bisexual men & women in Sonoma County, meets every Wed in a safe, confidential & friendly environment. 7-7:30 social, followed by mtg till 9:30, with short social time after mtg. Focus on any issues brought up by those present, especially bisexual issues. New members welcome! Info: Colin (707) 823-2990.

Bi-Friendly Sonoma County: bisexual social/support group for men, women & bifriendly others in Sonoma/North Bay. Info: Colin (707) 823-2990.

Women's Bisexual Network of Santa Cruz & Greater Monterey Bay Area: Meets 1st & 3rd Thurs of each month. Drop-in, self-facilitated group open to any bisexual, questioning or bifriendly woman. For location & other info call (408) 427-4556.

Goddess-Oriented Bisexual Women's Support/Social Group meets alternate Thurs in Mill Valley. Infi: Marilena 381-8865.

WRAMBA (Women's Radical Activist Multicultural Bisexual Alliance), feminist discussion/support/political action group for bi women meets Sun, 1-4 pm. Info: Krista 661-1497.

Cogender Bisocial Group for bisexual youth, spons by YRIC. See Youth.

Be sure to check the "social groups," "support groups" and "political" sections for related groups.

► CALL FOR ENTRIES

Inside & Out: Third National Graduate Student Conference on Queer Studies (4/15-17 in Minneapolis) seeks proposals for papers, panels, etc from writers, scholars, artists, performers & social agitators. Send one page proposals to Inside & Out, c/o American Studies, 104 Scott Hall, 72 Pleasant St, SE, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455-0225. Info: (612) 626-2344 10 am-2 pm. Deadline: 1/4.

Gay & Bisexual Male Incest Survivors are invited to submit autobiographical reflections/personal narratives in written form for an anthology on gay/bisexual male incest survivors. For info/guidelines, send SASE to: Boundaries Limited, 584 Castro St, Ste 410, SF 94114-2588. No perpetrators, please. Deadline: 1/31.

This Is Me Project seeks biographies & drawings from children of gay & lesbian parents. Guidelines: Kids ages 5-13, biological, foster or adopted. Subjects: Parents, friends, pets, school, life. Label drawings. Send SASE to This is Me Project, 1054 Capitol Ave, SF 94112.

SF Int'l Lesbian/Gay Film Festival, spons by Frameline, is accepting submissions for next year's event (6/18-27, 1993). Work in any genre, length or form by or about lesbians & gay men, especially work by women or people of color, is welcome. For preview purposes, work must be submitted on VHS or ¾" tape. $10 handling fee for return within the US, $15 for international return. For more info & entry forms contact Frameline: PO Box 14792, SF CA 94114 or call (415) 703-8650, fax (415) 861-1404. Entry deadline: 3/1/93.

► FUN & GAMES

UC Botanical Gardens: University of California-Berkeley Botanical Gardens feature 33 acres of native & exotic plants in educational & naturalized displays. Open daily, 9 am-4:45 pm. Free admission, free garden tours weekends at 1 pm. Centennial Drive above the UC Berkeley campus. Info: (510) 642-3343.

Game Night! 6-10 pm every Sat night at Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Drop-in, free. Play cards, scrabble, boggle, trivial pursuit, pictionary, or any game you bring. Come meet friendly folks, have some fun! Info: (510) 548-8283.

► HEALTH

Quan Yin Healing Arts Ctr: Nonprofit clinic provides affordable acupuncture & Chinese herbal therapies; treatment for people living with HIV, chronic hepatitis, PMS, & other gynecological imbalances. Also offers Stop Smoking Clinic. Office hrs: Tues-Fri, 1-6:30 pm, Sat 9 am-3 pm. Info: 861-4964.

American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine: professional teaching clinic offers Chinese herbal medicine, acupuncture, tui-na (Chinese physio-massage) & Chinese nutritional counseling. SL fee. MediCal accepted. 450 Connecticut St at 20th (on Potrero Hill), SF. Info: 282-9603.

Lyon-Martin Women's Health Sensitive primary health care for women by women, with emphasis on the health care needs of lesbians. Services include: gen'l medical care, gynecology, acupuncture, lesbian parenting, AIDS counseling & safe sex info (safe sex kits for women available). WA. SL. 1748 Market St nr Valencia, SF. Ste 201. Info/appt: 565-7667.

Lesbian Clinic of the Berkeley Women's Health Collective provides personal, affordable health care by lesbian practitioners. Gen'l medicine & chiropratic care to evaluate health needs. Gynecological, gen'l medical & mental health services available. Also feminist therapy referrals. Call for appt: 843-6194. WA.

Charlotte Maxwell Complementary Clinic offers free acupuncture, herbs, homeopathy, massage & visualization to low-income women with cancer. Volunteers welcome. Info: (510) 601-7660.

Women's Cancer Resource Ctr: info, support, resource & advocacy ctr for Bay Area women with cancer, their friends, families & practitioners. Provides individual peer counseling & drop-in support groups, newsletter, educational programs, legal wkshops & more. For information on groups & programs offered call 548-9272 or 548-WCRC. 3023 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley.

Environmental Health Network provides fre support, info, referrals & advocacy for people with multiple chemical sensitivities. Mtgs held 1st Thurs of each month. Info: 541-5075.

Gay Men's STD/VD Clinic: testing & treatment by & for gay men, free, every Sun 5:30-7 pm. HIV Antibody anonymous testing for women & men 12 or older, every Sun, 6-7 pm. 2339 Durant Ave at Dana, Berkeley. Wheelchair Accessible. Info: 644-0425 (non-voice TDD 548-8238 for disabled).

Berkeley Free Clinic offers free gen'l health, dental, counseling & information services, plus referrals. Also has women's health clinic by & for women. 2339 Durant Ave at Dana, Berkeley. Wheelchair Accessible. Info: 548-2570 (non-voice TDD 548-8238).

Planetree Health Resource Ctr: nonprofit ctr provides a place to go when you need more info about health or medical concerns. Get up-to-date medical info to assist you in making informed choices about your health. Ctr maintains extensive consumer health library, current medical lit clippings & health books ore. Also support groups, health information service by mail, and more. 2040 Webster St, SF. Info: 923-3680.

Native American Health Ctr: 56 Julian Ave, SF; 3123 East 14th St, Oakland. Offers a range of physical and mental health care services to the community.

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Ayurveda Health & Education Resources of SF: Nonprofit center offers restorative & adjuctive approaches to health care by reducing imbalances caused by stress, environment or disease. Info: 255-1928.

The Healing Circle: Begun as an HIV support group, the group has evolved into a space of healing & growth for all men & women. Meets every Thurs at 50 Brady St, SF. 8 pm. Info: David 241-9480.

Haight Ashbury Free Clinic Acupuncture Clinic provides acupuncture & Chinese herbal medicine as primary medical care, and for substance abuse recovery & detox. 60 Brady St, SF. Hrs: Mon-Thurs, 9 am-noon. Info: 863-1677.

Rainbow Clinic at UCSF provides pediatric care for children of gay & lesbian parents in a sensitive, caring environment. For info/appt call 476-4883.

► HOBBIES

Hortiphiles: a group for lesbians & gay men who enjoy growing plants. For info write PO Box 31, Palo Alto, 94301 or call 851-1022.

Phoebe Snow Society: int'l organization of gay rail fans. Gay men interested in trains, railroading & travel are welcome to join. Info: (510) 352-0301.

Gay Men's Sketch: informal drawing group for gay men. Provides classical nude modeling by gay male model. Open to all skill levels. 2 min gestures to 40-min drawing. Info/schedule: Mark 621-6294.

Lesbian Life-Drawing Group: Multicultural group meets every 2nd Sun of the month. Models provided. $7 fee. Info/location: 252-8514.

Men's Figure Drawing Salon: Informal, free & nude. Wed 7-9 pm. Info: 626-8349.

Women's Sing-A-Long: monthly mtg, Sat night. Informal, fun, easy. Bring guitar, voice, friends. All women welcome. Info/directions Birch 841-6032.

Sacred Circle Dance: Dance ancient & contemporary dances from all over the world. Emphasis on building community & honoring ourselves. All dances taught. Beginners welcome! Fri 8-10 pm, 1819 10th St, Berkeley. 4th Fri potlucks held in El Cerrito. Info: Laura or Howard (415) 359-0207.

Gay & Lesbian Int'l Folk Dance group meets every Tues in SF's Castro District. Line dances, no partners needed. Beginners welcome! 7:30-8 pm teaching, 8-9:30 pm dancing. Info/location: Jim 585-9784.

Women Country Western Dancers: Meet other 2-steppers in a friendly atmosphere. Social dancing, with free lessons. Every Thurs starting at 7 pm, and Sun 4-9:30 pm, in Walnut Creek. Info: (510) 524-7648.

Western Star Dancers offer country western & line dancing first Fri of each month. 7-9:30 pm at Eureka Valley Rec Ctr, Collingwood & 18th St, SF. Soft-soled shoes only. Call 621-0862.

Dark Shadows Society:: Monthly social gathering for fans & friends. Potluck, videos, fun. 8 pm. Call Neil 255-7672 for info/location.

Bondage Buddies Group: Bi-weekly parties of play & socializing for gay men into bondage, harddicks & fun s/m. Open to top/bottom and experienced/novices. Info: 292-3228.

Gay Ham Group: Lambda Radio Amateur Club meets 8 pm, 2nd Thurs of each month. Amateur Radio operators & those interested in learning about the hobby are welcome to call 863-1196 or write Lambda Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 14073, SF CA 94114.

G/LOV (Gay & Lesbian Videomakers) spons open screenings & mtgs for people involved in all aspects of the medium. Write G/LOV, Box 14051, SF 94114.

Like to read? Talk about books? Come to an informal monthly potluck brunch & reading discussion group for women. For info/location: Nancy 221-5623.

► HOTLINES AND REFERRALS

SF Sex Information Switchboard: Mon-Fri, 3-9 pm, Sun 2-8 pm. Info and referrals on all aspects of sexuality, for all ages & life-styles. 621-7300.

SF Gender Information: Nonprofit service provides referrals & networking to transsexual & other members of the gender community in the SF/Bay Area & northern Calif. For listings ($3 fee) & other inquiries send SASE to: SFGI, PO Box 423602, SF CA 94142.

Battered Lesbian 24-hr hot-line, individual counseling, support grps & legal advocacy clinics. Info: Liz at WOMAN Inc. 864-4722.

San Mateo Battered Women's Services offers a 24-hr hotline, individual counseling, support groups, legal assistance & shelter. Call 342-0850.

Battered Women's Alternatives: Eastbay resource for lesbians experiencing emotional or physical abuse. Call (510) 676-2845.

Call CUAV (Community United Against Violence) to report harassment, hate violence, intimidation by neighbors or workmates. Counseling, advocacy, info & referrals offered. 24-hr hotline: 333-4357

Gay Domestic Violence: info, peer counseling for gay & bisexual men who batter. Referrals for victims of battering. Spons by MOVE (Men Overcoming Violence). Info: 626-MOVE.

Bay Area Lesbian/Gay Switchboard trained volunteers at Pacfic Ctr listen to your concerns. Also Bay Area & nationwide info—from sports, entertainment, rap groups, counseling, AIDS info. Services provided for the hearing impaired. Call (510) 841-6224.

SF AIDS Foundation Hotline: (Spanish/English) info & referral to SF & No Calif (800) FOR-AIDS, TDD 864-6606. Tagalog AIDS Hotline: 1-(800) FIL-AIDS (voice/TDD). Hrs: 9 am-9 pm Mon-Fri, 11 am-5 pm Sat & Sun.

AIDS Legal Referral Panel: see AIDS Resources for details. Info: 291-5454.

Poison Control Central: 24 hr service. Over-the-phone help w/ poison emergencies. Call 476-6600.

SF Drug Line: support, info, referrals on drug problems/treatment. Call 752-3400.

Discriminated Against because of your sexual orientation? Contact SF Human Rights Commission, Lesbian/Gay Liaison Unit. There are local laws to protect you. Info: 252-2500.

Renters: Learn Your Rights! Old St. Mary's Housing Committee offers counseling & special clinics on various housing issues, including evictions, leases, etc. For info/appt: 398-0724.

SF Tenants Union: provides free walk-in or telephone counseling for members, walk-in only counseling for non-members. Call 282-6622 for info. 558 Capp St, SF.

Sentinel Fair Housing: nonprofit agency investigates complaints of housing discrimination & provides comprehensive housing counseling to residents of Northern Alameda County (also referrals for out-of-area persons). If you think you have been discriminated against, call (510) 836-2687 for help/info/referral.

ECHO Housing, a nonprofit housing agency in Alameda County, offers services to Alameda County residents including deposit & delinquent rent guarantees. (In northern Alameda County call the Rental Assistance Program (RAP) at (510) 836-4826, in southern Alameda County call RAP at (510) 581-9380). Echo also offers a county-wide homeseeking program, call (510) 581-9380 for details.

Senior Information Line: events & services available to seniors in SF, spons by SF Commission on Aging. Newsline: 552-6016. Anyone wishing to add an event should call 626-1033.

Neighbors Driving You Crazy? Community Boards can help—CB is a free, fast & effective dispute resolution service for SF residents with problems: renter/owner disputes, noise, pets, money disputes, family or housemate problems, etc. Call 239-6100 & get relief.

GLADRS (Gay & Lesbian Alternative Dispute Resolution Service) offers free, confidential panel mediation services. Get help developing a mutually-created & agreed upon solution to interpersonal, tenant/landlord, inter-and intra-group/agency and other disputes from trained lesbian, gay & bisexual mediators. Call 552-4135. 3543 18th St, Box 28, SF 94110.

Bay Area Bisexual Speakers Bureau: addresses all topics related to bisexuals. Speakers available. Call 564-2226.

SF Women Against Rape provides individual & group counseling for rape survivors; also does advocacy & educational work. Info: 647-RAPE. 3543 18th St, SF 94110.

Feminist Therapy Referral Project has provided psychotherapy referrals to Eastbay women therapists since 1971. SL fees & insurance are available, for info/appt, call (510) 843-2949.

California Youth Crisis Line provides the following services to young people who have run away from home, & to their parents: crisis intervention counseling, referrals to resource agencies & a neutral message center. For help call 800-843-5200.

Diamond Street Youth Shelter provides shelter to homeless kids in SF (see Youth). 536 Central Ave btwn Hayes & Grove. Bus lines: 21 Hayes or 5 Fulton. Free. Info: 567-1020.

Calif Lawyers for the Arts (CLA): nonprofit offers legal info & education to artists. Info: 775-7200.

The Calif Network of Self-Help Centers, spons by the Calif Dept of Mental Health, offers referrals to more than 3,500 free or low-cost support groups statewide (Alcoholics Anonymous, Co-dependents Anonymous, Gamblers Anonymous, etc). For info call 1-(800) 222-LINK.

Breaking Walls, Building Bridges: Diablo Valley Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) BBS outreach service available. Forums, news, views, confidential mail. (510) 827-0804, 3/12/2400, 24 hrs. Sysop Deacon DVMCC.

AIDS/HIV Nightline: Emotional support, gen'l info: 9 pm-5 am weekdays, 5 pm-5 am wkends. Call 668-2437 (English), 752-4866 (Spanish).

SF Suicide Prevention Crisis Line: 24 hrs, every day: 221-1423.

SF Youth Line: 752-2000

SF Drug Line: 752-3400.

Dial—A-Dyke: Free telephone bulletin board for women. Call (415) 241-1564 24 hrs a day.

► INCEST AND BATTERY

Support Group for Adult Men Who Were Raped/Sexually Assaulted as Teenagers or Adults: Free, 10-wk facilitated groups offered by SF Rape Treatment Center. A safe, non-judgemental place to explore the effects of the abuse & continue the healing process. Led by Susan Wachob, LCSW, extensively-experienced facilitator of groups for male & female survivors of sexual abuse. Individual counseling also available. Info: 821-3222.

Survivors of Incest, Anonymous : 12-step, self-help group meets Tues 6:00-7:45 pm at the Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph at Derby, Berkeley.

Ritual Abuse Survivors (RAS) Group: Group for women & men. Open discussion of all aspects of RA experience. Sat at 1 pm, MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St, SF. Info: Jennie 648-0347.

Partners of Survivors of Incest Anonymous: Support group for partners of incest survivors, ritual abuse survivors, and multiple personalities. Tues, 8-9:30 pm, free. Mandana House, 541 Mandana, Oakl. Info: 839-8844.

Support Group for Lesbian Partners & Close Friends of Childhood Sexual Abuse Survivors: Provides space for personal issues, while recognizing the overall societal context of oppression. Not a 12-Step group. Non-facilitated, group members determine group focus. Info: Suzanne 826-1113.

Incest Survivor Group for Lesbians: 2nd phase group for lesbians who identify as survivors of incest & childhood sexual abuse, and have completed a 1st phase group. This group focuses on sexuality. Participants must be in individual therapy simultaneously. Spons by Operation Concern. For info/interview appt call Alesia Kunz, MFCC 626-7000, Mondays, 1:30-3 pm. SL fee.

Gay & Bisexual Men Who Batter: Are you feeling ashamed, afraid or angry about having been violent with the man you love the most? MOVE (Men Overcoming Violence) provides assistance & support for change in a safe, confidential place. Info: 626-MOVE.

Overcoming Violent Behavior Anonymous-SF: 12-step fellowship for batterers, based on the principles of AA. Women-only mtg. Thurs 6:30-7:30 pm, Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) of SF, 150 Eureka St, SF.

Support Group for Men who have been physically and/or emotionally abused in relationships. Led by licensed clinical psychologist, spons by Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project. For info/reg: CUAV 864-3112. Confidentiality guaranteed.

Support Group for Lesbians who are or have been in a battering relationship; SL. Info: Women Inc.: 864-4722.

Battered Women's Alternatives: An Eastbay resource offering services for lesbians experiencing emotional or physical abuse. Support group, shelter, counseling, legal advocacy. Info: (510) 676-2845.

Formerly Battered Women: Support group for women who have experienced domestic violence, and are now living independently. No fee, childcare available. Call Nancy at 863-3315 or 255-2754.

Battered Lesbian Outreach: offered by Sonoma County YWCA Women's Emergency Shelter Program. Info: (707) 546-1234. Call—you are not the only one.

Battered Lesbian 24-hr hot-line, individual counseling, support grps & legal advocacy clinics. Info: WOMAN Inc. 864-4722.

La Casa de las Madres provides shelter for battered women & their children. Info: 777-1808.

Rosalie House's offers Women's Jobs Program offers vocational services to battered women & formerly battered women. Counseling, referrals, resume writing & job placement. Free. Call Alma 863-2160 for info.

For more listings under this category, see the *SF Bay Times* classifieds section, "Open Exchange", under **"Incest/Battery Therapy/Support Groups".**

► PARENTING & FAMILY RESOURCES

Pursuing Fertility: Support group for women who have made 10 or more insemination attempts. Group explores the emotions & complications associated with trying to get pregnant. Info: Marsha (510) 835-8919.

Prospective Queer Parents Group for lesbians & gay men seeking co-parenting or known donor situations. Call Leland (510) 841-4663 for more information.

Black Female Couples With Children Group meets for support, socializing & fun. Eastbay & SF locations. Single moms are welcome! Info: Erika or Elisha (510) 293-0711.

Lesbian Moms of Young Children/Babies: Interested in networking in the Eastbay. Come to potluck/brunch—call 540-7171 for details.

Lesbians with Babies Group meets in SF. For info/location: Paula 206-1170.

Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Single Parents: Meet to schmoooz, give mutual support. Info: Michele 826-9215.

Southbay Gay Parents: an organization for gay fathers & lesbian mothers. Meets 3rd Sun of each month in the San Jose area for mutual support & for exploring parenting issues. For information call (408) 293-4525 for more info.

Ever Given Up A Child for Adoption? Ongoing support group for birthmothers: offers support for healing our losses, help in searching for our children. Info: 626-8124.

Adoption Support Groups for adult adoptees, birth parents & adoptive parents. Info: Post-Adoption Ctr for Education & Research (510) 935-6622.

Chain of Life: feminist adoption reform newsletter, supports open records & search & reunification of adoptees & birth families; critiques traditional adoption practices. Edited by adoptee. For backlist/info send SASE to Chain of Life, PO Box 8081, Berkeley, CA 94707.

NOCIRC (Nat'l Organization of Circumcision Information Resource Ctrs) offers education, information & support about circumcision. Learn why circumcision is physically & emotionally damaging to children. Info: 488-9883.

GLADRS (Gay & Lesbian Alternative Dispute Resolution Service) offers free, confidential panel mediation services. Get help finding a mutually created and agreed upon solution to custody, property & other family disputes from trained lesbian, gay & bisexual mediators. Info: 552-4135. 3543 18th St, SF, Box 28, SF 94110.

Lesbian & Gay Parenting Program offered by Lyon Martin Clinic. Offers ongoing seminars, wkshops, small groups & forums for lesbians & gays thinking about parenting, and for lesbian & gay families; including 8-wk "Lesbians Considering Parenthood," and "Gay Men Considering Parenthood," Call Lyon-Martin 565-7674 for info.

The Rainbow Clinic at UCSF provides pediatric care for children of gay & lesbian parents, see Health.

Support Group for Non-Biological, non-legal, "other" mothers whose parental rights are not being honored by the biological mother; or who feel in danger of not being allowed to see their children. Eastbay location. Call Suzanne (510) 644-0311.

FOCUS: (Focus on Children Under Siege), see Political.

Be sure to check the *SF Bay Times* classifieds section, "Open Exchange", under "Parenting" and the Parents & Kidsbox for other parenting services/info.

► PEOPLE OF COLOR

Black & White Men Together Rap/Socials: every Sat at 1350 Waller St nr Masonic, SF. Rap 6:30-9 pm. For info/mtg topic: 826-BWMT. Peter Eggenberger, facilitator; Calvin Lowery, greeter.

United Colors of Queer Nation: Direct action group for queers of color. Composed of queer people of color united to bring our common issues to the foreground of discussion & increase our visibility within & outside of the queer community, thru direct action. For info on mtgs & actions call John 821-6108 or 985-7141.

Bisexual People of Color Caucus: resource, support, political action, social group. Info: Lani 821-3534.

Lesbians of Color/Third World Lesbian Support Group meets Thursdays, 6:30-8pm; $3 donation (no one turned away for lack of funds); Pacific Ctr, Telegraph

& Derby, Berk. Info: Camille Barber; (510) 548-8283.

Bisexual Women of Color Group—See Bisexual Groups.

Bisexual Men of Color Group—See Bisexual Groups.

Zebra Brigade: Social group for Black and white lesbian couples. SF location. Info: Anita or Lorrie 641-5980 or Naomi 821-9972.

African American lesbians 40+: monthly mtg for social activities, potluck, card & board games, theater outings & sports events. Info: Brenda (510) 465-2573.

Ache: Nonprofit community organization for lesbians of African American descent. Produces monthly & annual events; provides community outreach, education & networking; publishes a bimonthly magazine of articles, conference reports, poetry & community events for and about lesbians of African American descent. For more info call 849-2819 or write: Ache, PO Box 6071, Albany, CA 94706.

Black Female Couples With Children Support Group: See Parenting.

MAS (Multiracial African Support) Group by & for mixed-heritage "queers" who are proudly part African. MUST BE respectful/accepting of transsexuals, gays & bisexuals. Write: MAS, #634, PO Box 410-990, SF 94141-0990.

Nadlehs of Woda'abe: Support group by and for Native Americans with African blood who are equally proud of both cultures. Accepting of/respectful to transsexuals, bisexuals, gays, etc. Contact: Nadlehs of Woda'abe or N.W. #634, PO Box 410-990, SF 94141-0990.

Asian Lesbian Potluck Brunch Group meets every 4th Sun, 10 am-noon, free. A support group for Asian lesbians 35 yrs & over. Info: (510) 482-0787 or (415) 255-7560.

Third World People with AIDS/ARC group spons by AIDS Project of the Eastbay. See AIDS Resources.

Asian/Pacific HIV-Positive Gay Men's support group offered by GAPA (Gay Asian Pacific Alliance), see AIDS Resources.

AIDS/HIV Info Group for Asian & Pacific Islander Men. Drop-in, free. See AIDS Resources for details. Spons by GAPA.

Gay Asian Rap Group in SF, spons by Gay Asian Pacific Alliance. Meets every other Wed, 7-9 pm. Info: 282-GAPA.

CASA: Community Alternative Social Assoc. A multiracial social & community service organization for gay latinos & friends. Mtgs held every 2nd Sat of each month at Dolores Street Community Center, 208 Delores St, SF. 5-7 pm. All are welcome! Call 552-6433 for more info.

CURAS (Community United in Response to AIDS/SIDA) provides services to the Latino community, see AIDS Resources.

GELAAM: Gente Latina de Ambiente. A Latino/Latina lesbian, gay & bisexual organization that promotes the improvement of our community at a political, cultural, social & educational level. Gen'l mtgs every 4th Sat of every month. Newsletter & various activities. For more info write to GELAAM, 2261 Market St, PO Box 300, SF 94114 or call 267-4892.

AGUILAS (Asamblea Gay Unida Impactando Latinos/as Superase). Group committed to advocating & developing activities in our community which encourage positive self identities, healthy relationships & leadership skills. Mtgs/potlucks held 1st Sat of each month. Call Juan 648-3702 for info/location.

Latin Lesbians of the Eastbay: Monthly mtgs just to socialize. Call Gloria (510) 530-3473 for info/location.

Asian Pacifica Sisters (APS): an organization by and for Asian and/or Pacific Islander women who are lesbians or bisexuals. APS seeks each woman's own unique experience, whether of Pacific Islander, East Asian, Southeast Asian, South Asian, or mixed heritage. American-born or immigrant, multilingual or monolingual, physically challenged or able, all are welcome! Call Anna 334-5040 for more information.

Asian Pacifica Lesbian Network (APLN): Nat'l network for lesbians & bisexual women of Asian/Pacific Islander descent. Monthly mtgs in SF or Oakland. For times, dates & other info call (415) 928-8885 or (510) 482-0787.

Lesbian, Gay, or Bisexual & Korean? Monthly mtgs, discussions, potlucks & special activities offered. Mtgs 1st Sun of each month, 1-3 pm, in SF. Info: Lori 563-8689. Mtgs conducted in English, with some bilingual participants.

Asian & Pacific Islander Gay/Bi Men's Support Group: meets Tues 6:30-8 pm at Pacific Ctr. Gay Asian men of all ages are welcome. Info/res: (510) 841-6224. 2712 Telegraph Ave at Derby, Berkeley.

Vietnamese Gay Men's Group: Share feelings, exchange information, give support. Monthly newsletter in English & Vietnamese. All Asians welcome. For details contact Brian Dang, 2200 Market St #95, SF 94114.

Japanese American Gay Social (JAGS): Non-political, informal social group for persons of Japanese ancestry. Info: 584-7224.

Black Gay & Bisexual Men's Support Group: Drop-in. Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph, Berkeley. Wed 8-9:50 pm. Info: (510) 548-8283.

Gay/Asian Pacific Alliance (GAPA): group by & for gay men of Asian & Pacific Islander heritages. GAPA seeks to create a positive & visible presence for gay Asian/Pacifics in the SF Bay Area. Gen'l mtgs: every 2nd Sun of the month at MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St, SF. 6-8 pm. Also bimonthly newsletter "Lavender Godzilla", write to PO Box 421884, SF CA 94142-1884 to subscribe. Info: GAPA Hotline 282-GAPA.

Support Group for Asian/Pacific Islander gay, lesbian & bisexual young people, 21 & under, spons by Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services' LYFE (Lambda Youth & Family Empowerment) program. Call Donna 565-7681 for info.

Arab Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Network: Social group for Arab-identified lesbian, gay & bisexual people. For info write ALGBN, PO Box 460526, SF 94114 for call (510) 428-0179.

African-American Men dealing with AIDS/ARC/HIV Support Group at SF AIDS Fdn, see AIDS Resources.

Bay Area HIV Support & Education Service (BAHSES) provides assistance to gay/bisexual men who are HIV positive—see AIDS Resources. Group spons by Black & White Men Together & Men of All Colors Together.

African-American Women with Cancer: Support group meets every other Mon 6:30-8 pm at the Women's Cancer Resource Ctr, 3023 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley. Info: (510) 548-WCRC or (510) 548-9272 for more information.

Lesbians of Color sobriety support group at Iris Project, see Addiction Recovery.

Motorcycle Club for Black gay women. Info: 1724 Sacramento St, #6, SF 94109.

Artists of Color Open Mike Night at Ohama Cultural Ctr: Every 2nd & 4th Thurs of the month. 7 pm, $5. 4345 Telegraph Ave, Oakl. Info: (510) 658-1868.

BAYBLAG (Bay Area Black Lesbians & Gays) support group for men & women of African American descent. Spons social & political functions, facilities' outreach programs, etc. Info: Midgett 648-3658, Dewitt 641-7971.

Arab Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Network: Social group for Arab-identified lesbian, gay & bisexual people. For details write: ALGBN, PO Box 460526, SF 94114. Call (510) 428-0179 for info/location of next meeting.

Free Mental Health Services for Native Americans, see Therapy Groups for details.

Female to Male Pre-Op Transsexual Survival/Support Group for FTMs of color. See Transgender Groups.

Young Women of Color Group spons by LYRIC. See Youth.

► PERFORMANCE & WRITING GROUPS

Mothertongue Feminist Theater Collective welcomes any woman with ideas to share & stories to tell—writing & performing experience not necessary. Info: (510) 848-5966.

Jon Sims Ctr for the Performing Arts: "multidiscipinary force for artistic freedom, cultural democracy, and community outreach". Presents music, dance & musical theatre performances, and educational programs. 1519 Mission St, SF. New members are always welcome. JSC is especially interested in making programs accessible to ethnic minorities and people of color. Call 621-5619 for mtg times & other info.

VOICES: Bay Area lesbian choral ensemble covers the musical map, performing everything from madrigals and contemporary music to blues & jazz. For more info or to be on mailing list call 773-9181.

Lesbian/Gay Chorus of SF invites you to join in making music & having fun. Ability to read music a plus, but not necessary. Rehearsal times & other info: 861-7067.

The Society of Gay & Lesbian Composers encourages the composition of music that conveys the attitudes, ideals & uniqueness of gay & lesbian cultures. Group sponsors 3 annual concerts, plus monthly business & social mtgs (usually in SF) where composers can meet & share their music & ideas. For info/location of next mtg call 333-2755. For brochure/membership application or other info write PO Box 14521, SF CA 94114.

Gay/Lesbian Chamber Music Circle: Meets monthly for dinner, informal performances by group members. Amateur musicians, all levels, welcome. Info: Michael (510) 525-6723, Bob (415) 863-8268.

Lesbian Chamber Musicians Group for lesbians interested in exploring chamber music by women of the past & music by women living today; preparing house concerts of women's music; and holding informal evenings for reading traditional chamber music. Info: Anne 661-3886.

Bay Area Gay & Lesbian Ensemble meets wkly in the Eastbay. Group committed to creativity & fun! Rehearsals on Thurs eves or Sun afternoon, instrumentalists of all types & abilities are encouraged. Info: 1-(800) 999-6795.

Community Women's Orchestra: Amateur ensemble open to all women who play an orchestral instrument & have ensemble playing experience. String players especially needed & welcome. Wkly rehearsals in SF & Eastbay. CWO plays works by women composers as well as traditional orchestral repertoire. Info: (510) 428-1350.

GAWK (Gay Artists & Writers Kollective). Join rock musicians, singers, writers, cartoonists, comedians & others for eclectic, upbeat, fun socializing. Info: Jon Sugar 731-2424 or write (with SASE) 901 Stanyan St #14, SF 94117.

Fat Lip Readers Theatre: political theatre collective of fat, fiesty & diverse women who strut their stuff on stage & video, and in wkshops. Submissions of poetry, prose, stories & analysis with a fat liberation perspective are welcome & respected. Info: PO Box 29963, Oakl 94604; (510) 655-7404.

Novel Writing Group for women who are in the process of writing a novel. Meets in SF twice per month. Info/location: Eliza 759-5898.

Women's Writing Group in pursuit of Wild Mind meets weekly for freewriting as well as critiquing. For location, times & other info call 824-9608.

Lesbian Womanist/Feminist Writer's Group welcomes committed writers of all genres, and racial & cultural diversity. Weekly mtgs in the Eastbay. Call Suzanne (510) 644-0311 or Marion (510) 208-3241 for details.

Operation Concern Writing Wkshop designed for gays & lesbians interested in exploring personal experience thru the craft of poetry & fiction. Call Nancy R 626-7000 ext 214 for details.

Mark I Chester's SEXART Salon: Salon & parties focused on sexuality & creativity. Participants share artwork (your own or someone else's) such as reading, performance & static art that explores sex, sexuality & eroticism. New performers welcome, regardless of experience. Events are open to men & women of all sexualities. Info: 544-1136 (leave message).

Sistah Boom, a mostly lesbian of color percussion band playing Afro-Brazilian/Caribbean rhythms at Gay Pride, pro-choice & anti-war events, seeks women of color, lesbian-feminist identified, musically-inclined & committed to unlearning racism work, to jam with one of the hottest percussion ensembles around. Info: Kay (510) 654-3360 or Adalia (510) 601-6844 (6-8 pm).

SF Fringe Riders: Bay Area's only women's country western performance dance troupe welcomes new members. Info: Wendy (510) 525-5912. For mailing list inclusion call Diane (510) 532-0281.

LIPS: (Lesbian Installation Projects). Work on projects with others lesbians artists in a studio space. Ongoing workshops in different media. Info: Pamela (510) 222-4552.

► POLITICAL

Outrage! San Francisco. Predominantly queer activist/direct action group devoted to exposing & opposing all forms of oppression. Operated by telephone networking & phone bank. Mtgs organized & called when needed around specific issues. To join, suggest an action, phone bank or attend a mtg call & leave your name & number on the Queer Line: 985-7141.

IRATE Anti-Bashing Project: Devoted to eliminating violence against the queer community by any means necessary. Also examines issues around violence, lateral aggression & internalized homophobia. Offers self-defense options & awareness. IRATE (Irked Radicals Addressing Terrorism thru Empowerment) is an affinity group of Outrage! SF. Info: 985-7141.

Queer Nation: A working activist group which utilizes direct action to oppose & eliminate heterosexism & homophobia. Group meets every Wed at the Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St, SF. 7:30 pm. For info call the Queer Line 985-7141 or write QN, Box 34, 3543 18th St, SF CA 94110.

Transgender Nation: A focus group within Queer Nation fighting specifically for transgender rights, within the general struggle for queer rights. Group meets Wed at 7:30 pm at the Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St, SF.

Queer Scouts is devoted to exposing & eliminating the homophobia, racism, sexism & religious tyranny of the Boy Scouts of America. Info: 985-7141.

Queer Planet: An int'l human rights organization whose purpose is to defend the human & civil rights of sexual minorities & eliminate discrimination against lesbians, gays, bisexuals & transsexuals. Mtgs 2nd & 4th Tues of each month, 7:30-9 pm at New College, 50 Fell St, btwn Van Ness Ave & Polk, SF.

Queers for Cuba works to build solidarity btwn Cuba's struggle to survive as a sovereign socialist nation & our struggles for social justice here. For info call 995-4678 or write 3543 18th St, Box 33, SF 94100.

ACT UP East Bay currently works on insurance discrmination & housing issues. Meets monthly, call (510) 836-4401 for time & place, or write PO Box 8074, Oakl CA 94608.

Gay & Lesbian Alliance Defamation (GLAAD) works for fair & diverse coverage of lesbians, gays & bisexuals, and fights stereotypical portrayals in the print & electronic media. To report a defamation, call the hotlines: SF (415) 861-4588, EB (510) 273-9146, (SB) (408) 235-0229. Fax (415) 861-4893 or send photocopies or tapes to GLAAD, 514 Castro St, Ste B, SF 94114.

GLAAD East Bay meets 4th Sun of every month, 7 pm, at Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley.

GLAAD South Bay meets 4th Sun of every month at 7 pm, at the Billy DeFrank Center, 175 Stockton Ave, San Jose. **BiPol:** bisexual, lesbian & gay political action group of the SF Bay Area. Info: write BiPol, 584 Castro St #422, SF 94114 or call 775-1990.

Lesbian Uprising! A feminist political, educational & cultural group of Bay Area lesbians who envision a return to the radical ideals of the women's liberation movement; who recognize the deep connection between the personal & the political, and seek means to embody those connections in concrete ways. Group defends & empowers women by being visible, participating in street demos, etc. Group also meets twice monthly to discuss exciting feminist literature & theory. Interested? Call Gail 441-6238 or write PO Box 423555, SF CA 94142 for free copy of monthly newsletter/calendar.

Veterans CARE (Veterans Council for American Rights & Equality) protests discrimination against lesbians & gays in the military, seeks to allow homosexuals to serve openly in the armed forces. For membership & other info write to Veterans CARE, PO Box 855, Nice, CA 95464-0855 or call Jack (707) 274-1303.

NGLTF (Nat'l Gay & Lesbian Task Force): Local unit of nat'l lesbian/gay rights organization meets 2nd & 4th Wed of each month at 6:30 pm. Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St, SF. Info: (510) 653-2571.

WHAM!/Bay Area: Women's Health Action & Mobilization, a women's direct action group committed to promoting women's health, securing & defending women's right to control our own bodies & have access to free community controlled healthcare for all women. Meets alternate Mon, 7 pm, at New College, 777 Valencia St at 19th, SF. All women who believe healthcare is political are welcome. Call 985-7141.

Stonewall Democratic Club: A demo club for women & men which focuses on Democratic politics as well as AIDS, breast cancer & gay freedom issues. Meets 1st Tues of each month at 7:30 pm at MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St, SF. Mtgs are often panel discussions of current topics of interest to the lesbian, gay & bisexual communities, interspersed with political endorsement meetings. Visitors welcome! Info: Ralph Payne 929-1591.

Eastbay Gay & Lesbian Commmittee for Clinton-Gore Campaign meets Wed at 7:30 pm. For info/location call Mark (510) 428-2333 or Therese (510) 524-0540.

Lavender SIG (Special Interest Group): A nat'l political & support network for fat lesbians, bisexuals & gays, and their allies. Part of NAAFA (Nat'l Assoc to Advance Fat Acceptance), a human rights organization. For info send SASE to Lavender SIG, PO Box 210074, SF 94121-0074.

Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Task Force of the Santa Clara County Human Relations Commission meets 1st Mon of each month at 5:30 pm in the County Bldg, 70 West Hedding St, lower level, San Jose. Info: Paul Wysocki (408) 275-9211.

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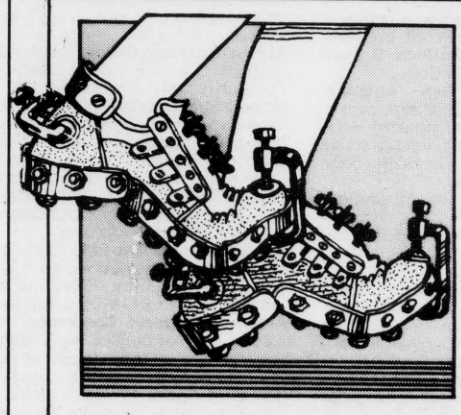
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Men Against Circumcision: Nat'l organization for support & activism. Runs Harm Documentation Project and National Men's Attitudinal Survey. For info write NOHARMM, PO Box 460795, SF 94146 or call Tim 826-9351.

► PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

Golden Gate Business Association (GGBA): comprised of gay & lesbian businesses, professionals, artisans & individuals throughout the Bay Area. Monthly networking events & more. For membership & event info call (415) 441-3651 or (800) 272-0278. Office Hrs: Mon-Fri 11 am-4 pm.

Brava! For Women in the Arts: multicultural organization of women artists who promote excellence among women in the arts thru professional presentation of established women artists, as well as providing services & assistance to emerging women artists. Info: 641-7657.

Federal Lesbians & Gays (FLAG) offers support, advice & activities for Federal employees. Mtg 2nd Wed of each month, 6 pm. SF location. Info: (510) 528-4427.

Pallas Athena Network: Open, supportive network for women veterans. Share issues, experiences & thoughts with other women who share the bond of military service. All women vets welcome, regardless of sexual orientation. Group publishes newsletter, with discreet lesbian supplement. No govt or political affiliation, mailing list confidential. Contact: Pallas Athena Network, PO Box 1171-T, New Market, VA 22844.

G/LOV: Gay/Lesbian Organization of Videomakers: Monthly meetings for people involved in all aspects of video & film production. Info: Nikos Diaman 775-6143.

Chevron Lesbian & Gay Employees Association: Call 281-0788 for meeting times & other information.

United Airlines Lesbian & Gay Employees Coalition: Group lobbies for domestic partnership benefits & encourages company participation in gay & lesbian events. For info write GLUE Coalition, 2261 Market St, #293, SF 94114-1693 or call (800) 999-3448.

Women's Business Network (WBN) provides practical support for women in business & women changing careers. Educational networking events, monthly newsletter, low-interest loans for women in business and women changing careers. Info/complimentary newsletter: WBN (510) 482-8583.

Gays & Lesbians in Planning: Social group for men & women in city planning & related professions. Bi-monthly potluck dinners, short programs & social events. Info: 626-5750.

BANGLE (Bay Area Network of Gay & Lesbian Educators) supports lesbian, gay & bisexual educators by providing monthly social gatherings & working for equality in education. Membership confidential. Educators, their families & friends are welcome. Info: SF—(415) 285-5078, Eastbay (510) 234-4627, Contra Costa County (510) 687-4851, Southbay (408) 298-1231, Sonoma County (707) 526-7931.

► SENIORS

Operation Concern's GLOE (Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders) offers various groups (writing, outings, discussion, etc) of interest to lesbians & gay men. For info on groups offered call 626-7000.

Senior Information Line:—see Hotlines & Referrals.

St Francis of Assisi Community invites all seniors age 60 & over to share a nutritious free lunch, Mon-Sun at noon. $1.25 suggested donation. Group also offers full, free activities program for seniors, including craft classes, day trips, bingo, exercise classes, health education & health screenings. For meal reservations or copy of activities calendar call 861-5790, 9 am-noon. 145 Guerrero St, SF.

Senior Information & Referral Service, spons by the SF Commission on the Aging, is located at 25 Van Ness Ave, Suite 750, SF. 24-hour phone line: 626-1033.

► SOCIAL GROUPS

Girth & Mirth Club of SF meets every Sat. Chubbies meet chasers meet chubbies. For info write: 176-B Page St, SF 94102 or call 24-hr message hotline: 552-1143.

UCGALA (Univ of Calif Gay & Lesbian Alumni Assoc). Open to graduates and anyone else who is a friend of the University. Annual membership: $20. For info & to get on mailing list (confidentiality assured), call 267-3150. Monthly social & cultural events.



Tim Miller in "Sex/Love/Stories" at Josie's Cabaret, Jan. 7-17. See Calendar for info.

Cal Poly GALA (Gay & Lesbian Alumni Assoc) provides social & cultural support for lesbian, gay & bisexual students, curricula & activites; and serves the needs alumni & future alumni. Absolute confidentiality assurred. Info: (408) 245-7179.

Sunset Rising: Sunset District (Inner & Outer) gays, lesbians & bisexuals gather for social & volunteer activities. Join us! Info: 753-6435.

Fremont Men Social Group: Potlucks, dinners, hikes, etc; in the Fremont area. For newsletter or other info write PO Box 1238, Fremont, CA 94538 or call (510) 713-2455, (510) 596-3578.

Berkeley Flats Dykes (BFD) meets the last Sun of each month for potluck brunch. Call (510) 644-3302 or (510) 841-6032 for info/location.

Tri-City Area Lesbians: (Fremont, Union City, & Newark). Meet your neighbors for informal dinners, socials, etc. Call Beth or Laurie (510) 794-8004.

Palo Alto Lesbians & Gay Men meet monthly for potlucks in member homes. All ages, both sexes, singles, couples & multiracial welcome! Info: Jay or Tom 858-2800.

Albany Dykes: Join your neighbors for potluck Sun brunch! Info/location: Barbara (510) 528-9026 or Judy (510) 525-6866.

Solano Lambda Men's Assoc: Offers alternative events for gay men. Rap group, social activities, etc. Meets 2nd & 4th Tues of each month in Vacaville, call (707) 448-1010 for info/location.

Couples/SF Bay Area Group provides social, educational & humanitarian forum for gay & lesbian couples. For more info/events calendar, call Sam & Ted 929-8402 or Suzanne & Deborah 355-7710.

Women Over 50 Social Group meets every 3rd Sun from 3-5 pm, in Los Gatos. Other events arranged. Info: (408) 354-4397 or (415) 558-8366.

Generation X-Ers: Rap/social group for progressive-thinking twentysomethings (women especially encouraged). Dicussion topics: mid-twenties breakdown, generation identity, PC, activism, Bradys, etc. SF location. Info: 252-9097.

Die naechsten Potluckparty des Deutschen Freundschaftskreises erfolgt am dritten Freitag des Monats. Alle, die Deutsch sprechen oder Interesse haben sind herzlich Willkommen. Fuer weitere Infos bitte Don unter 329-1438 anrufen.

Russian-speaking potluck social: 2nd Fri of every month. All ability levels welcome, from native to beginner. Info/location: Don 329-1438.

Language Practice/Social Group for people of color; see People of Color.

Asian Lesbian Potluck Brunch Group, see People of Color.

Bridging the Gap Alliance: Social/political group of deaf, hard of hearing and hearing lesbians. Meets monthly (mtgs in ASL). New signers are welcome! Info: write BGA, PO Box 5669, Berkeley, CA 94705.

East Bay Network: Club for gay community socializing. Anytime, on-line 24 hrs. Computer & modem required. Call (510) 827-0470. Modem (510) 827-3894.

New Horizons: Social/support/volunteer group for young adults in their twenties. Meet Thurs in San Anselmo, Marin at the YWCA, 1000 Sir Francis Drake Blvd. New members drop-in at 7:45 pm, gen'l mtgs 8-9:30 pm. Info: 457-3523.

East Bay Men: Get together for various social events—dinners, cinemas, etc. Couples & singles welcome. Non-sexual. Info: PO Box 866, El Cerrito, 94530 or call (510) 466-0455.

Social Group for Bay Area professional & business men. Meet for dining out, cinemas & other social events. Alternative to the bars. Non-sexual. Write PO Box 1397, El Cerrito, 94530 or call (510) 527-9244.

Fat Fridays: Schmoozing at Cafe Commons, 3161 Mission St, SF. 1st & 3rd Fridays. All fat dykes and fat queer womyn welcome! Info: Susan (510) 658-3300.

Older Single Dykes Social Group: Social activies, friendship, networking & support in an alcohol, drug, s/m, smoke & perfume-free environment; for dyke-centered lesbians over 40. Dyke separatists especially welcome. Info: (510) 482-0635.

Eastbay Dykes Separatist Social Group meets for fun, discussion, and to expand our Separatist support network. Assume no s/m, drugs, alcohol, smoking or perfume. Info/location: (510) 482-0635 or (510) 655-8792.

The Irish Lesbian & Gay Organization meets monthly. Info/location: 929-8877.

► SPIRITUALITY

Shabbat Services with Sha'ar Zahav, Jewish lesbian/gay congregation. Every Fri at 8:15 pm & last Saturday of each month, 10:30 am. 220 Danvers (upper Market), SF. 861-6932.

Temple Israel of Alameda: A caring & inclusive congregation, everyone is welcome. Fri services at 8 pm. Family Service 1st Fri of the month at 7:30 pm. 1st & 3rd Sat of month: 10 am study, 11 am Minyan. 3183 Mecartney Rd, Alameda. Info: Kathy or Joyce (510) 653-8494.

Jewish Lesbians, bisexual women & friends meet to celebrate Shabbat, 1st Fri of each month, alternating btwn SF & EB locations. Join us for letting go of the week & your work, bringing in Shabbat with song, food, schmoozing & Jewish culture. Please wear no scents. Info: 821-4009.

Nishmat Shalom: An Eastbay feminist minyan. Semi-traditional havura, first Sat of each month at 10 am. Services followed by vegetarian potluck. Women, men, gay, straight, bi welcome. Call (510) 559-9759 for details.

Gay Buddhist Fraternity: For gay men who practice any form of the Buddhadharma, or who are interested in practicing. Meet 2nd & 4th Sun of each month in a beautiful SF meeting place for meditation, discussion & interaction. Additional group events & retreats held occasionally. Beginners welcome! For info write: The Gay Buddhist Fraternity, PO Box 1788, Sausalito, CA 94966. Please include your phone number.

Zen in the Castro: Hartford Street Zen Center is a Zen Buddhist temple & AIDS hospice. Join us. Learn Zazen, Zen meditation. Info/appt: 861-6779.

Sunday's Women gather to explore the Goddess Movement, network with other spiritual women. Guest speakers. 3rd Sun of each month, Montclair Women's Club, 1650 Mountain Blvd, Oakl. $7-10 donation. Spons by Women's Spirituality Forum. Call the Goddess Hotline, (510) 444-7724, for info on current & upcoming events.

Women's Circle Network: If you are in a women's circle & would like to connect with a community of women's circles contact Emerald at 2124 Kittredge #11, Berkeley 94704. Call (510) 652-6355.

Witches Support Group meets to address issues. Women only. Jewish witches especially welcome. Info: 985-7473 leave message for Janette.

Spiritual Company, a non-sectarian, meditation & discussion group meets twice monthly to share the peace, strength, hope & love that our chosen paths have brought us. Call 647-9609 or write 95 Corwin St #2, SF 94114.

St Marks Lutheran Church Communion: Sun, 9 & 11 am, 1111 O'Farrell at Gough, SF. Info: 928-7770.

Gay Men's Radical Faery Circle comes together every Thurs night at 8 pm. Bring instruments & energy! Info/location: 626-3369.

St Paul's Lutheran Church: worship & Eucharist, Sun, 10 am. 1658 Excelsior Ave, Oakl (just off I-580). Info: 530-6333.

Dolores Street Baptist Church: Small, inclusive & caring congregation of folks from many backgrounds & religious traditions. Sunday: 9:30 am Biblical Discernment on Today's Issues; 11 am worship. 208 Dolores St, SF. Call 861-1434 for more info or church vision statement. Everyone welcome!

Acceptance: Baptist Bible Study & support group meets Wednesdays, 7:30 pm. Location varies. Everyone is welcome. For info: 843-9705, 626-5034.

American Baptists Concerned: a supportive community of gay/lesbian Baptists & friends. Meets at 5 pm the first Sun of each month for fellowship and a potluck. Everyone is welcome! Also publishes quarterly newsletter, *Voice of the Turtle*. To join mailing list send $10 to ABC, 872 Erie St, Oakl 94610. For mtg & group info: (510) 465-8652.

Lakeshore Avenue Baptist Church (American Baptist) is an inclusive church welcoming & affirming gay men & lesbians. Worship 10 am Sun at 3534 Lakeshore Ave & Mandana, Oakland. Gay/lesbian group, American Baptists Concerned, meets the first Sun of each month. For more info call (510) 893-2484.

Bethany United Methodist Church: Caring & inclusive congregation, every person is welcome. Church reaches out to the lesbian & gay community. Sun worship at 11 am. 1268 Sanchez St at Clipper, SF. Info: 647-8393.

Montclair Presbyterian Church welcomes gay & lesbian people to worship & join in the church's many social justice & support programs. Worship service uses inclusive language. 10 am worship, 10 am church school & nursery for children. 5101 Thornhill Drive, Oakl. Info: Rev Chuck McClain or Rev Cindy Crowner, (510) 339-1131.

Seventh Ave Presbyterian Church: Inclusive community; gay, lesbian & straight, all ages. Come join, you're welcome! Sun worship at 10:30 am. 1329 7th Ave, SF. Info: 664-2543.

St John's Presbyterian Church: An inclusive "More Light" congregation in south Berkeley, nr the University campus, welcomes & affirms gay men & lesbians. Services 10 am Sun at 2727 College Ave, Berkeley. Info: (510) 845-6830.

Alameda First Congregational Church holds that all people are equally loved & accepted. You are welcome to Sun services at 10:30 am, 1912 Central Ave, Alameda. Info: (510) 522-6012.

Lutherans Concerned/SF: for lesbian & gay Lutherans, their friends & families. Meets 1st Sun of each month, St Francis Lutheran Church, 152 Church St nr Market, SF. 5:30 pm. All welcome. Info: 956-2069.

Christian Women's Support Group meets 4th Sat of each month. Inclusive language eucharist, potluck, fellowship. Info: Kris Wagner 534-5546, Bonita Palmer 647-8390.

Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) of SF: Sun worship services: 9 am, 11 am & 7 pm. AIDS ministry (see AIDS Resources), women's & men's groups, children's programming & educational series. Rev Jim Mitulski, pastor. 150 Eureka St, SF. Info: 863-4434.

Golden Gate MCC Sun worship services: 12:45 & 7 pm; 11 am bible study. 1600 Clay St, SF. Rev Buddy Trulock, pastor. Lesbian & gay Christians welcome all to enjoy nourishing worship & fellowship of Jesus Christ. Info: 567-9080.

New Life MCC Sun worship service: 1823 9th St at Hearst, Berkeley. 12:30 pm. Potluck every 3rd Sun. All welcome! Rev Barry Wichman, pastor. Leslie Addison, clergy intern. WA. Info: (510) 843-9355.

MCC of San Lorenzo meets at Christ Lutheran Church, 100 Hacienda St at Hathaway, San Lorenzo. Services Sun at 6 pm. Interim pastor: Rev Michael England. Info: (510) 481-9720.

Diablo Valley MCC Sun worship service, 10 am, 2253 Concord Blvd, Concord. Wed worship, 7 pm, followed by lay ministry courses at 8:15 pm. Info: (510) 827-2960.

New Hope! MCC of Santa Rosa meets 11:30 am at 3632 Airway Dr, Santa Rosa. All lifestyles welcome! Pastor Bob Cunningham. Info: (707) 526-HOPE.

Russian River MCC Sun worship service: Noon, 14520 Armstrong Woods Rd, Guerneville. Info: Rev Linda Laster (707) 869-0552.

Evangelicals Concerned-SF Bay Area: Local chapters in SF, Eastbay, San Jose, of national pro-lesbian/gay Christian organization. Weekly discussion/Bible study groups, social activities & retreats. Be affirmed of both your sexuality & spirituality. Call Andrea (510) 370-0545 or Jeff (415) 621-ECWR (3297) for details.

Agape Full Gospel Fellowship: Ministry for all communities. Promotes spiritual, mental, physical & social wholeness thru Jesus Christ. Sunday worship service at 6:30 pm at 50 Belcher, SF. Thurs bible study at 7:30 pm, call for location. Info: Pastor Mike Arbuckle 921-3207 or Deacon Joel Daniels 864-3868.

St Michael's Ecumenical Catholic Church: Pro-gay, independent denomination. Sun services at 10 am, 21956 Russian River Ave, Villa Grande. Info: Bishop Mark Shirilau (707) 865-0119.

Open Arms Community Church meets Sun at 7 pm at Faith Lutheran Church, 4930 Newanga. A non-denominational Christian Church for all lifestyles. Rev John Torres, pastor. Info: (707) 526-2133.

Freedom in Christ Evangelical Church: Group of Christians gathered together as local Bible-believing assembly. Lesbian/gay positive outreach. Focus on sharing the gospel of salvation in Jesus Christ with our community & to enourage one another in "the faith once delivered unto the saints." Worship & praise service on Sun 11 am at Jon Sims Center, 1519 Mission St, SF. Tues eve sharing & study of God's Word at Dolores St Baptist Church, 15th & Dolores, SF at 7:30 pm. For more into write PO Box 14462, SF 94114-4462 or call 647-0184.

Trinity Episcopal Church: traditional liturgy with liberal theology. Inclusive urban parish. Sunday Choral Eucharist, 11 am. 1668 Bush St nr Gough, SF. Rev Robert Cromey, rector. Info: 775-1117.

Holy Innocents Episcopal Church in Noe Valley: Friendly neighborhood & community church. Emphasis on liturgy, preaching, music, social activities. Rev Armand Kreft, vicar; Rev Karen Siegriedt, deacon. Solemn Mass at 10 am, Sun. 455 Fair Oaks St, btwn 25th & 26th, Dolores & Gurrero, SF. Info: 824-5142.

St John the Evangelist Church. Christian fellowship in strong liturgical tradition. Welcomes gays & lesbians. Daily Eucharist. Grief support, quiet prayer, Bible study, inclusive women's group. Sun service 11 am. 1661 15th St, SF, near BART station. Entrance on Julian. Info: 861-1436.

Integrity SBA: Gay & lesbian Episcopalians & friends, local chapter of an international organization, co-spons lively discussions every Thurs eves, 7-9:30 pm at the Parsonage, 555A Castro St, SF. Info: 552-2909.

The Parsonage, an Episcopalian ministry at 555 A Castro St, SF, advocates justice for lesbian/gay people, and witnesses to the godliness of gay/lesbian love. Together with Integrity, the assoc of gay/lesbian Episcopalians, the group sponsors programs every Thurs eve at 7 pm. Call 552-2909 for program details, further info.

Integrity/El Camino Real: Episcopal gay & lesbian ministry meets at churches from Palo Alto to Monterey on the 3rd Sun of each month. 5:30 pm service, potluck at 6:15 pm, program & discussion at 7 pm. Jim: (415) 493-1253 or Russ (408) 294-2026.

Affirmation: Gay & lesbian Mormons. Social/support group for Latter-Day Saints, their families & friends. Wkly mtgs. Sun at 5:30 pm, MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St, SF. Info: 641-4554.

Unitarian Universalists for Lesbian & Gay Concerns of the First Unitarian Church of SF (UULGC/SF) meets 2nd Sun of every month at 12:15 pm, First Unitarian Church, 1187 Franklin St, SF. Spons variety of events & social functions for lesbians, gay men, bisexuals & friends. The Unitarian Universalist Church provides union services for lesbian & gay partners, has a significant number of openly gay clergy & a long history of support for lesbian/gay individuals & groups.

Dignity/SF: Faith community of lesbian, gay & bisexual Roman Catholics & friends. Inclusive-language Mass every Sun at 5:30 pm at Dolores Street Church, 100 208 Dolores St at 15th, SF. Call 255-9244 for more info.

Prayer & Support Group for Hispanic, gay & lesbian Catholics, spons by Dignity/SF, meets every 7:30 pm every 2nd Fri of the month for prayer at Dolores Street Church, 15th & Dolores, SF. Dignidad/SF Catolicos gay y lesbiana de habla hispana se reunen para apoyo y oraciones el segundo viernes de cada mes 7:30 pm en Dolores St Church 16 y Dolores. Info: Jaime 252-7623.

Most Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church, 100 Diamond St (18th & Diamond, in the Castro), SF. Masses: Sat 5 pm; Sun 7:30 & 10 am. Weekdays 8 am & 5:30 pm. Outreach to lesbians & gay men, AIDS support group. All welcome. Info: 863-6259.

Noe Valley Ministry: An inclusive community. Worship service: 10 am Sun. 1021 Sanchez St, SF. Info: 282-2317.

Peace United Church: Liberal Protestant church; small & caring community, creative worship gatherings. Sensitive to social & political justice issues. Two lesbian ministers. Worship service Sun at 5 pm; Monte Vista Ave at Oakland Ave, in back of Plymouth UCC, Oakland. Info: (510) 486-0625. Childcare provided. Wheelchair Accessible.

GLAD Alliance (Gays, Lesbians & Affirming Disciples) of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) meets the 3rd Sun of each month, 4-7 pm at University Christian Church, 2401 LeConte Ave, Berkeley. Info: Bill (510) 644-1823 or (510) 652-6036.

The Church of Amron, a metaphysical ministry, holds solstice services, healing circles, classes on yoga, metaphysics, channeling, ritual, affirmations, shaman drumming, & much more. 2254 Van Ness Ave at Vallejo, SF. For info call 775-0227.

First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. Post & Mason Sts, SF. An open & affirming church that began ordaining gays in 1972. Services: 9 & 11 am, adult education at 9:45 am. Outstanding music program. Close to public transit, parking at Sutter/Stockton garage. Info: 392-7461.

World Peace/Inner Peace: Intro talks on the transcendental meditation program. Wed 8 pm at 347 Dolores St, SF. Room 231. Free. Also group meditations for practitioners, Wed at 5:30 pm.

Tayu Center, a Fourth Way spiritual school directed by Robert Daniel Ennis, a modern spiritual adept. Study group meets every Tues eve at 8 pm, at Hartford Street Zen Center, 57 Hartford St, SF. Includes co-meditation (2-person), reading & discussion of Fourth Way material. Info: (707) 829-9579.

First Church of Religious Science of Oakland's lesbian & gay family meets to celebrate "our powerful lifestyle & consciousness and to expand our understanding of the practical techniques and the empowering teachings of our philosophy... free of dogma or judgements." Info: Robert 832-7120.

Gay/Lesbian Spiritual Support Group: Gathering of open-minded lesbians & gays seeking to experience life from a spiritual/metaphysical perspective. Meditation, guided processes, music, sharing, mutual support. Sun 7:30 pm. Info/location: Gregg Tallman 979-6579.

► SPORTS

Berkeley & Eastbay Athletes interested in becoming involved with the group coordinating the Eastbay's effort for the 1994 Gay Games in New York: Contact Chris (510) 649-1408 for details.

SF Frontrunners Social running & walking club for lesbians, gays & bisexuals, & their friends. All levels welcome. Regular wkly runs: Sat 9 am, Stow Lake Boathouse, Golden Gate Park; 1 mi. walk or 1-5 mi. runs, no-host brunch follows; Tues 6:30 pm, Ferry Bldg (under clock tower), up to 5 mi. flat run along Embarcadero; Thurs 6:30 pm, McLaren Lodge, Golden Gate Park, 3.5 mi. run; Sun 9 am, variable location runs. Info: Mike 206-9312.

Eastbay Frontrunners Club sponsors noncompetitive runs in various Eastbay locations. Runs begin at 9:30 am, and are followed by brunch. Info: Roz (510) 939-3579 or Greg (510) 865-6792.

Baylands Frontrunners: For Peninsula & Southbay runners & walkers. Men & women welcome. Meets every Sat at 9 am, at the Baylands Athletic Center, Geng Road, off Embarcadero, east of 101, Palo Alto; and every Wed at noon at the stretching bars, Angell Field, Stanford University. For info call Linda (408) 226-5966 or Jay (415) 858-2800.

SF Hiking Club: join us for day trips, backpacking & social activities. See calendar listing for this month's schedule. For more info write: SF Hiking Club, PO Box 14065, SF 94114 or call 826-3489 eves.

Different Spokes/SF: Bicycling group for Bay Area gays & lesbians interested in non-competitive cycling, both on road bikes & mountain bikes. Several trips each month, plus regular 40-mile ride each Sun at 10 am, leaving from McLaren Lodge, Golden Gate Park, SF. For schedule/newsletter call 282-1647 or write PO Box 14711, SF CA 94114.

X-TA-C Cross Country Ski Club spons 1-day and wkend ski trips to various locations in Northern Calif. All levels of skiing ability are welcome. Monthly potlucks held during the ski season. Info: 330-5485.

Marin Hike & Bike Club for Gay & Bi Men: Enjoy the company of other athletic guys in a positive, non-toxic outdoor environment. Informal club gathers for hikes, bike rides, camping trips, as well as purely social events. No membership fees. For info call 721-4299.

Gay/Lesbian Sierrans: escape the madness of the city, explore & appreciate the beautiful outdoors. GLS presents 1-3 hikes each week; plus monthly program on 3rd Tues of each month, 7:30 pm, Nat'l Sierra Club, Polk St at Ellis, SF. For SIGN, call TDD (510) 653-6127. For info & free sample newsletter: 653-5012 (24-hrs).

Gay/Lesbian Sierrans Loma Prieta (Southbay) Chapter: 2448 Watson Court, Palo Alto, 94303. Call (408) 229-1234 for info.

0Wilderness Women explore the great outdoors. Hikes, nature study, camping, ski trips & more. All adventures shared with friendly women. $5/yr. Calendar/newsletter. Write 5329 Manila Ave, Oakl, 94618. Info: (510) 658-2196.

Golden Gate Wrestling Club holds Olympic Freestyle Wrestling practices twice weekly. All weights, skill levels & ages welcome. Large facility, accessible to public transit. Info: Gene 821-2991.

SF Wrestling Club: all forms & wrestling styles; all ages, weights & experience levels welcome. Call (510) 538-8490 or (415) 821-9721 for details.

Motorcycle Club for Black gay women. For info write: 1724 Sacramento St #6, SF 94109.

Pegasus Motorcyle Club for gay, Bay

Area men: Explore Calif backroads & points of interest. Monthly 1 or 2-day runs. For info/details call Jay/SF, (415) 861-2872, Ed/Eastbay (510) 531-5243 or Allen/Marin (415) 389-0905. Also check Main Calendar.

Dyke Diver offers a newsletter for dykes who scuba dive. Send SASE to Dyke Diver, PO Box 460096, SF CA 94146 for info/details.

Northern Calif Rainbow Divers, Gay & Lesbian Diving Club. North coast dives, certification classes, social events & warm water dives. For info send SASE to Sea Snakes, 291 Geary St, Ste 619A, SF, 94102-1863 or call 431-1340.

Premier Soccer: Premier lesbian players interested in playing hard & pretty, call 835-1095.

Women's Soccer Team: Has members on both sides of the Bay, more members are welcome! Lesbians & friends encouraged to join. Call SF: (415) 641-8771 or EB: (510) 547-3675.

Women's Soccer Team welcomes experienced players, especially goalies. Info: (510) 523-5373 or (415) 647-3205.

Men's Soccer Team, SF Spikes, practices Tues 5:30-dark at Beach Chalet. Games on Saturdays. For details call Carlo 821-4248.

Women's Field Hockey League: Only women's field hockey group in the Bay Area. Sunday games. Call 431-2720.

SF Women's FLAG Football League: Games at Golden Gate Park Polo Field, Sun 9:30 am-3 pm. Info: 584-6496.

Stonewall Climbers: Gay & lesbian rockclimbing group. To join us on one of our trips, call 327-5329 or 648-3059.

Gay Tennis Federation: A lesbian & gay tennis club. All playing levels welcome. Write: GTF, 2215-R, Market St #109, SF CA 94114 or call 626-5427 x2.

SF Women's Judo Club: Open to all women 12 yrs of age & older. Come & observe classes. Schedule: Tues & Thurs 6-8 pm, Sat 11 am-1 pm. 1622 Castro & 26th St, SF. Info: 821-0303 BEFORE 10 pm.

Ronin Dojo Karate School for Women offers instruction in Keno Karate, with emphasis on self-defense by experienced black belt women. Beginners welcome. Info: 695-0735.

Aikido Arts Center: For women, men, kids. Special beginners classes. Mornings & evenings. Info: 861-6044.

Hand to Hand Martial Arts: Nonprofit provides dynamic, woman-centered martial arts & self defense training in the Eastbay. Head instructor: Coleen Gragen, 4th degree black belt. Info: (510) 428-0502.

PAWMA (Pacific Assoc of Women Martial Artists) promotes martial arts training for women in an atmosphere of mutual respect & trust. Provides info on schools, classes, seminars, workshops, performances & more. Call 664-7034 or write PAWMA, PO Box 12861, Berkeley 94701-12861 for info.

Eastbay Lesbian Bowlers: All skill levels welcome. Call (510) 653-4135 for info.

BICEPS (Bodybuilders Into Competition, Education & Physique). Steroid-free bodybuilding for men & women. All levels & ages welcome. For upcoming events info call 267-1864 or write PO Box 410053 SF 94141.

ABS (Arcadia Bodybuilding Society): Int'l bodybuilding organization, organizers of the annual SF gay/lesbian Physique Show. All levels welcome. Info: 978-9495.

Lesbian & Gay Ultimate Frisbee Team: Meets Sat 11 am-1 pm in Golden Gate Park, SF. If you can play weekly & want a good workout, you're welcome! Call Claire 285-0936 for more info. All skill levels are welcome.

Outdoor Activities Group: Meet for biking,hiking, camping, boating, etc. Dogs welcome! Info/details: Jo Ann 986-4507.

Rollerblade Club for beginners on the Peninsula. Call Elena 592-7183.

East Bay Gay/Bi Sports Players soical group: Competitive, but for fun only. No regular attendance or commitment required. Choice of softball, volleyball, tennis, basketball, football or other sports. All levels welcome. Suggestions welcome. Info: 769-7583.

► SUPPORT GROUPS

Losing A Best Friend: free pet loss support group spons by the SF SPCA for people who have lost an animal companion. Led by Dr Betty Carmack, the group helps pet owners work thru feelings of loss, anger & depression. 7:30-9 pm, 1st Tues of each month at the SF SPCA, 2500 16th St, SF. Info/res: 554-3000.

Overcoming Violent Behavior Anonymous: SF group, see Incest & Battery.

Women's Cancer Support Groups: spons by Women's Cancer Resource Ctr, see Health.

Lesbian Adoptees: open group discussing issues around search, reunion, depression, anger, abandonment, identity, etc. Meets every other Sun in SF. Info: Amy 923-1454.

Adoptees, Birth Parents & Adoptive Parents support groups meet throughout the Bay Area. For info/locations: Post Adoption Center for Education & Research (PACER) 935-6622.

Drop-in Gay Men's Rap at Pacific Center, Berkeley: Join other gay men of all ages for a wkly support group, Tues 8-9:50 pm. Info: (510) 548-8283.

Monday Gay Men's Group at Pacific Cetner, Berkeley: Join 50-100 gay men at this weekly drop-in group offering multiple-topic discussion & social time. Mon 7:45-9:50 pm. Info: (510) 548-8283.

Drop-in Lesbian Rap at Pacific Center, Berkeley: Tues eves, 8-9:50 pm. Call (510) 548-8283 for info.

Palo Alto Lesbian Rap Group: discussion group for all lesbians. Meet Thurs 7:30 pm at the Palo Alto YWCA, 4161 Alma (just north of San Antonio), Palo Alto. Different topics each week, see Main Calendar for details. Info: Marilyn 969-1260.

Walnut Creek Lesbian Discussion Group meets Mon at 7 pm at Pacific Center, 1250 Pine St, #301, Walnut Creek. Info: (510) 939-7711.

Graves' Disease (hyperthyroid) Support Groups in SF & the East Bay: Call Susan (510) 540-8640 for info. In Santa Cruz, call Deborah (408) 479-0559.

Women with Chronic Illnesses, disabilities, pain & hidden disabilities support group: Leaderless & egalitarian, emphasis on honesty, humor, listening. Share resources, problems, challenges, fears with others who understand. Mtg every other Wed in SF. Free. Call Leigh 285-8535.

Lesbians w/mild MS: Informal support group meets monthly. For info & location, call Blue (510) 658-2477 or Ilene (415) 221-2361.

Headache Support Group meets twice a month in SF. For info call Judy 459-5839.

Support Group for Women who want to leave the sex industry meets Tues 4-5:30 pm. Drop-in center open Tues noon-4 pm. 942 Market St #307. Spons by Women Emerging. Info: 982-3365.

Women's Coming Out Group: open to women of all ages, drop-in. Choose topics, make friends. 6 pm Wed at Pacific Ctr (newcomers come at 5:45 pm to meet facilitator). 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: 841-6224.

Coming Out Support Group at Billy DeFrank Community Center, 175 Stockton Ave, San Jose. Focus on issues of people who are just coming out. Meets 3rd Sat of every month, 1-3 pm. Info: (408) 293-2429.

Slightly Older Lesbian Support Group for lesbians over 30. Rap group meets 7:30 pm Thurs at Pacific Ctr, 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Long-running group. Info: 841-6224 or 548-8283 (leave message for SOL).

Leaderless Support Group for Lesbians Over 40: Diverse, ongoing group welcomes new members. This is not a coming out or therapy group. Meets Mon eves, 7-9, in SF. Info: Barbara 552-9271 or Eugenia 431-6996.

Career Support Group for Midlife lesbians who are unemployed, changing carers, newly employed or underemployed. 8-wk groups facilitated by Lloyda French, MS, spons by Options for Women Over Forty. Mon 6-8 pm, low fee. Info: 431-6405.

Personal Support Group for Midlife Lesbians, spons by Options for Women Over 40. Facilitated by Lee Bowman, LCSW. Focus on personal issues: midlife transition, sex, relationships, health, aging, change. 8-wk groups. Wed 6:30-8 pm, low fee. Info: Options 431-6405.

Support Group for Lesbians 45 & Older: Focus on issues of our age group. Info: Ruth Gabriel 864-2565.

Support Group for Battered Lesbians, spons by WOMAN, Inc—see Incest & Battery.

Lesbian MidLife Support Group meets once a month on Sun night, free. Discuss menopause, self-image, health issues, older workers, body image, new lifestyles & financial planning. Info/location: 431-8146.

Married/Formerly Married Gay/Bi Men: Wkly support & social group at Pacific Center, Berkeley. Wed 8-9:50 pm. Info: (510) 548-8283.

Men's Support Group for straight men whose wives/lovers are coming out. Marin location. Free. Call Jon Seirup, PhD 898-1468 for info.

Spouses of Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Persons Support Group meets 4th Tues of each month at St John's Presbyterian Church, College Ave at Garber, Berkeley. 7:30 pm. Info: Amity Buxton (510) 525-0200.

Lesbian Couples Group: Support/social group for lesbians. Meets Fri 7:30 pm at Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley. Info: (510) 540-6746 or (510) 548-8283.

Gay Male Couples Support Group meets wkly. Group for men in committed relationships. Info: 861-4045.

Foreskin Restoration Group for men wanting to overcome the mutilation of circumcision & restore our birthright. Technical & moral support mtgs 1st Sun of each month, 1-3 pm at MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St, SF. Spons by RECAP. Info: Wayne (510) 427-4077.

Lesbian & Gay Survivors of Suicide: Support group for lesbians & gay men who have lost someone they loved to suicide. Info: Karen (510) 841-6553.

Fasting Support Group for Gay/Bi people. Meets weekly in San Mateo. Free. New fasters are welcome! Call Richard 573-8124 for info/location.

Society of Janus: nonprofit, nongender or orientation specific group explores consensual non-exploitative dominance/submission, sadomasochism, bondage & discipline relationships. For info write PO Box 426794, SF 94142 or call 985-7177.

Men Against Circumcision: NAtional direct action network. Group runs a Harm Documentation Project, does Action Alerts, etc. Info: NOHARMM, POB 460795, SF 94146 or call Tim 826-9351.

Eastbay PFLAG (Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays) meet 4th Tues of each month, and welcomes gay, lesbians & bisexual persons for safe, confidential sharing & support on family issues. Info: Betty (510) 547-4659 or Peggy (510) 524-8911.

SF PFLAG: Monthly support group for parents & family of lesbians & gays meets at St Francis Lutheran Church, 152 Church St at Market, SF, every 2nd Sun of the month. Gay & lesbian community members are also welcome. Info: 921-8850.

For More Listings in the support group category, see *SF Bay Times'* classifieds in the "Open Exchange" therapy/support group section, under **"relationship therapy"**, **"recovery addiction"**, and **"incest/battery therapy."**

► THERAPY GROUPS

Women's Institute for Mental Health: low-fee individual, couples & grou therapy. SL starts at $15. Groups for women abused as children. Info: 864-2364. 333 Valencia St, SF, Ste 222.

Disabled Lesbian Group for women with physical disabilities, hidden disabilities, chronic illness & chronic pain. Wed & Thurs at Operation Concern. WA, SL. Info: 626-7000 voice/tty.

Gay Men's Disabled Group: are you a gay man with a physical/hidden disability? Isolated & in need of support/therapy? Call 626-7000 v/tty. Group held at Operation Concern, 1853 Market St, SF.

McAuley Neuropsychiatric Institute at St Mary's Hospital & Med Ctr in SF offers a number of psychotherapy groups (eating disorders, incest survivors, single parents, women, etc) for individuals & couples. Wkly mtgs, SL fee. For info or to register: Helga Justman, LCSW 750-5603.

Berkeley Free Clinic peer counseling collective provides counseling for individuals & couples, also provides mediations. Info: (510) 548-2570.

Men—Have You Abused Your Lover? Feeling ashamed, afraid or angry about having been violent with the man you love most? MOVE offers help for gay & bisexual men who batter. See Incest & Battery section for details.

Lesbian Counseling Group offered by Family Service Agency of San Mateo: Focus on helping lesbians explore life issues in a safe, supportive setting. Meets Mon 6-7:30 pm at the agency offices, 1870 El Camino Real, Burlingame. Info/reg: 692-0555.

12-Wk Process Groups for Gay Men. Explore issues of intimacy, trust & communication. Spons by Operation Concern. Call Jill 626-7000.

Intuitive Hypnotherapy for Women: Free group offers help in assessing the unconscious for intuition, psychic development, inner guidance, health & empowerment issues. 7:30 pm Mondays, North Berkeley location. Info: (510) 527-3844.

For Additional Listings in the **Therapy** category see *Bay Times'* classifieds section, "Open Exchange", under the **"counseling"**, **"relationship"**, **"recovery addiction"** and **"incest/battery"** therapy headings.

► TRANSGENDER GROUPS

Transvestites & Transsexuals rap group (women & men): 1st and 3rd Wed and last Fri monthly, 8 pm, Pacific Ctr, Berkeley. Info: 841-6224.

TV/TS & Friends Transgender Group meets 8 pm, last Thurs of each month. SF location. Info: (510) 549-2665 or write ETVC, PO Box 426486, SF CA 94142. We're very active & friendly folks, call us!

Female-to-Male Crossdressers & Transsexuals Only Group. Newsletter & quarterly get-togethers. Info: FTM, 5337 College Ave #142, Oakl, CA 94618

Flikker Network: Network by, for & about FTM/TSs who identify as gay or bisexual men ONLY. For more info write to Flikker Network, #634, PO Box 410-990, SF CA 94141-0990.

SF Gender Information: provides referrals & networking for transsexuals & other gender community members—see Hotlines & Referrals.

Can We Talk? Transgender Support Group at the Tenderloin AIDS Center. See AIDS Resources for details.

Female to Male Pre-op Transsexual Survival/Support Group for FTMs of color only: Biweekly mtgs. Friendly, warm & open to gay, bi & straight pre-op FTMs of color. Contact RK, #634, PO Box 410-990, SF 94141-0990, attn FPSG.

Living Full Time: Support Group for anyone living full time in the gender opposite that of birth. To attend, you must be living full-time. Group meets 3 Fri a month at Pacific Center, Berkeley. Info: (510) 841-6224.

Transgender Nation: Focus group of Queer Nation, see Political.

► YOUTH

LYRIC (Lavender Youth Recreation & Information Center) offers social/recreational activities for lesbian, gay & bisexual youth, 23 and under. Offices located in the Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St, SF. 2nd floor. Info: 703-6150.

QYA (Queer Youth Alliance): Gay, lesbian, bisexual & transgender youth center. 24-hr hotline. Daily events, HIV-positive groups. For queer youth 25 yrs of age or younger. Call 750-3225.

BAY (Bay Area Youth) Positives Group for young people with HIV. See AIDS Resources for details.

California Runaway Hotline provides services to young people who need help, want someone to talk to, or want to send a message to their parents. See Hotlines & Referrals.

Rainbow's End: Lesbian/Gay Youth Group. Open to ages 14-23. Thurs eves, drop-in 6:30 pm, group 7-8:30 pm. 1000 Sir Francis Drake, room 12, San Anselmo, Marin. Info: 457-3523.

Sexual Identity Forum for Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Youth—and youth exploring sexual identity. Open to ages 21 & under. Meet every Wed night, 7:30-9 pm at the Community Living Room, 28 W. 37th Ave, San Mateo. Drop by & make new friends! Info: 572-0535.

BASMYN (Bay Area Sexual Minority Youth Network) offers a variety of services for bisexal, lesbian, gay, transgender & questioning youth. A "by & for youth" organization. Discretion assured if requested. All letters answered. Free. Write: BASMYN, PO Box 460268, SF 94146-0268.

LYFE (Lambda Youth & Family Empowerment) for lesbian, gay, bisexual & questioning young people. Provides support groups, leadership program, writing & performance classes and social activities. Info: 565-7681. Spons by Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services.

Young Women of Color Group: lesbians, bisexual & questioning, ages 23 & under. Meets Fri, 7-9 pm at Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services, 1748 Market St at Valencia, SF. Ste 201. Info: LYFE 565-7681 or LYRIC 703-6150.

GALTIP (Gay & Lesbian Teen Intervention Program). For teens in the San Mateo area who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or questioning and want a positive & supportive place to explore individual or family concerns. Info: Josefa 342-5216. GALTIP is a program of Project FOCYS & the Peninsula Family YMCA.

12-Week Process Group for lesbian, gay & bisexual young people, 17-21. Place to explore trust, self-image, relationships, coming out & other issues in a small, safe & confidential group setting. Info: Josefa 342-5216. Spons by GALTIP of Project FOCYS & the Peninsula Family YMCA.

Diamond Street Youth Shelter: Shelter for homeless kids in SF, part of SF Youth Network. 70 percent lesbian & gay staff. Open 9:45 pm-9 am. Offers shelter, meals, crisis counseling & referrals. Free. 536 Central Ave btwn Hayes & Grove, SF. Bus lines: 21 Hayes or 5 Fulton. Open to youth ages 13-17. No referral necessary to receive services. Call 567-1020 for info.

Young Lesbians: (25 & under). Ongoing rap/support group meets every Tues evening, 6-7:30 pm at the Pacific Center, Berkeley. Free. Info: (510) 548-8283

Young women's rap group for lesbian, bisexual & questioning women 23 & under meets Mon 7-9 pm at the Women's Bldg, 3543 18th St at Valencia, SF. 3rd floor. Info: LYRIC 703-6150.

Young men's rap group for gay, bisexual, transgender & questioning men 23 & under meets Fri 7-9 pm at MCC-SF, 150 Eureka St at 18th, SF. Info: LYRIC 703-6150.

Cogender Biosocial Group spons by LYRIC. For meeting times & other info call 703-6150.

Gay Youth Community Coalition of the Bay Area: Provides advocacy, educational services, peer counseling, networking & technical assistance to sexual minority youth and youth projects. For details call 386-4297 or write PO Box 846, SF 94101-0846.

Lambda Youth Group: Gay, lesbian & bisexual support group for youth up to age 23 in southern Alameda County. Wkly mtgs on Tues, in a drug & alcohol-free environment. Occasional social activities, field trips, special events. Spons by Project Eden. Confidential. Info: (510) 887-0566.

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Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About Sex Clubs

Back about two months ago on Halloween night, the official opening day of the holiday season, my friend and I fled from the Castro without turning back and caught a bus to South of Market, hoping for a lesser hetero gawkfest. Two women on the bus saw a pair of elderly gay men on the street not really in costume, save for one of them, who had donned a paper party hat and a feather boa. One of the women pointed at them and said, "Look at them! Now, is that a man or a woman?" Duh. Talk about seeing what you want to see. I made some snide comment and we headed for Product, Ggreg Taylor's nightclub.

Product was brimming with holiday revelers in costume. My friend and I spotted several couples-thematic costumes, like the two lovers of approximately the same size wearing jockstraps, Doc Martens and touches of gold body paint and glitter. We promised to kill each other if the idea of a couple-costume ever entered our heads. We then headed to the basement. Across that crowded room against the far wall a large piece of white fabric had been hung, making a dark and semi-private space with beanbag chairs created in the tradition of a bar's backroom as a place to grope around and feel your date or a stranger up. We went back there to have a smoke, knowing the space would not be filled with humping slurping bodies, but rather, empty and misunderstood by the mainly modest suburban crowd. We were right: It was empty. We sat down for a spell and suddenly the two jockstrap twins-y tinkerbells we saw earlier came back there with a shirtless young man so effervescent with lovey touchy energy I could probably name his dealer. The couple then proceeded to take turns plowing that boy's gingerly offered-up butt without even a pause to consider using a condom.

I was totally appalled. Part of me wanted to rush over and separate the trio and scold them for their irresponsible behavior, while another part of me said, "Let them just go ahead and be unsafe. To hold safe sex in such a state of disregard is more than proof that these guys are assholes so let them endanger their lives and the life of someone whose judgment is clouded by drugs." As they pumped on I could hear the excuses they probably use to justify their actions to themselves and others, stuff like, "We're not gonna get it, we both are healthy and work out and live in Walnut Creek," or, "We tested negative this year and we're both tops," or, "Come on, you're far too young and hot to be at risk, it won't happen to you. Let's do another line and we'll fuck your butt good," or "We're not like leather queens who go to sex clubs all the time. We don't do this every weekend, in fact we hardly meet anyone ever."

The scene continued until magically, poetically, and not a moment too soon, a drag queen in a simple evening gown and roller skates rolled right up to the three fuck-wits. She stopped, said, "Oooo, yuck" turned and skated away. The moment was over and it struck me that the ultimate safe sex monitor would definitely be a drag queen. I'd love to see a dolled-up queen on wheels rolling past a wall of glory holes dispensing condoms or inspecting couples in the dark with a megaphone, saying, "I command you to pull out, GIRL!" It would be effective. However, at the local sex clubs I've gone to, unsafe sex doesn't seem to be a frequent activity. Posters and pamphlets with safe sex guidelines and safe-sex-encouraging messages adorn the walls at every turn, as do informational pamphlets to take for future reference, and most sex clubs always offer complimentary condoms in abundance. People are just simply going to have to get used to the fact that if they want to have sex they've got to get used to and over sex using a piece of latex. Nobody likes it but tough shit, it's a rule. If the truth be known, the late-night reptilian sex club frequenter is probably more in touch with and more likely to practice safe sex than the average squeaky-clean and smug suburban or small-town gay.

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR TROUBLE...

A smattering of sex clubs has existed in SF for years, like the Church of Priapus, formerly on Tehama Street, now with three locations—two South of Market and one in Oakland; Blow Buddies—a membership-only club (dial 863-HEAD for info) and Buster's—an on-again, off-again establishment in the Castro. The past few months have seen the opening and closing of the largest and most ambitious sex club to come our way in ages, Trouble. At first, everything about the club seemed copacetic with all laws, permits, codes and licenses. The space was huge and its location near the water at Folsom and First Street was, believe it or not, romantic. The unique thing to me about Trouble—how it combined dancing and sex in one club—was ultimately what led to its closure. I was told that you can't have a disco dance floor in a sex club with a liquor license taking place after hours all at one time for some silly zoning reason or this or that wacky law or something. Whatever. Again it sounds like a city bent on squelching establishments that provide space for or promote sexual activity for their clientele. They did it to the Church a while back, but for other complex reasons. It didn't have a disco dance floor but it did have a church organ and one night some queen played it, starting with the *Phantom of the Opera* theme and moving later into *Cabaret*. This was the first sex club I ever went to so my memories of it are always fond.

Starting on Jan. 9, Trouble is reopening at The Pit, the popular all-nighter bar at 9th and Howard. I don't know exactly how close of a facsimile to their old club they hope to develop and define but basically I heart sex in a basement with exposed pipes on the ceiling and I also like the move because it should prove to be controversial and something the authorities will almost have to address immediately. Maybe.

Just around the corner on Folsom Street is another sex club called Mike's Night Gallery. I've visited the multifloored Soma flat-turned-sex club once shortly after it opened and once more just recently and basically that was two times too many. The first visit was redeeming simply and only because of the several complimentary hot dogs I enjoyed in the kitchen, fresh from the warmer. My recent visit on a rainy cold night proved that ugly gay bullshit was going on there and I don't appreciate getting ripped off by a greedy gay entrepreneur. We were told that the club closed at 4 am, entry fee was $5 per person and when I asked what time it was, the door people all played stupid and offered up vagaries like "uh... three something" and "a little after three." We paid to get in only to check out the lay of the place for two minutes and then heard someone announce, "We're closing in ten minutes." The swine demanded money for that and wouldn't even consider a discount admission because it was late. I hate getting ripped off while trying to support a small gay business in these impoverished times on a rainy night. Let's say I don't have a hard part in my pants for this place at all.

JUST DO IT—SAFELY

The sex club that I'm most partial to is the membership-only Blow Buddies on Harrison near Fifth. The club is very large, boasting a long gallery of booths and mazes dotted with glory holes, a small, dark, mirrored room with a row of bi-level stockade-like glory holes for that nice colonial feel, a barber's chair and a beverage area surrounded by chain link fence where you can sip fresh coffee. "Say, that's good coffee," I'll often say. Celebrate the moments of your life.

The space itself is completely legal and up to code, not to mention meticulously maintained and clean. The lighting in the main room is simply colored spotlights reflecting off a stationary clump of mirror balls on the ceiling, casting many tiny dots of light all over the room that add a sense of enchantment to this whole process of enjoying multiple sex partners anonymously like the dick pig you are. All the while, the club features taped music, usually stuff that customers and DJs make and give to the club as a gift. This makes for a somewhat more eclectic range than your usual dance club fare, which I've always enjoyed there. I loved, for instance, stalking around hunting for gratification to the slow-motion guitar dirge of Ministry's "Scarecrow" from their latest release.

Only recently have I noticed some of the finer details of decor at Blow Buddies, like the boots, jockstraps and decorative slings and whips hanging from the ceiling on chains and the ever-so-handy series of handles connected to walls at strategic points for heightened support if the moment dictates that need. The Blow Buddies staff is friendly, polite and to the point and the clientele is almost always similarly mannered. If you have yet to check this place out and you're feeling particularly randy there's not a reason in the world you shouldn't pop in and see it for yourself. It's just like sex—if you want it, there's no reason why you shouldn't have it, whenever and wherever you want to or can, within reason. From a parking garage to a stranger's backyard just do it and always keep safe, or safe and warm and positively encouraged at Blow Buddies. I consider every sex club as a center of education for sexual survival in the '90s. Now is the worst time for establishments like these to be forced to fight for their right to exist. ✿







lounging about by val c. phoenix

1992: The Year That Was... Something

What to make of this past year? k.d. lang freed herself of her "sexual ambiguity." Sandra Bernhard played a lesbian on TV. Joan Armatrading released her 15th album, and Joan Baez, her thirtysomethingth. Two Nice Girls broke up. Madonna had *Sex*. Sinead O'Connor ripped the Pope. "Riot grrrls" found their way into the *New York Times*. Talk about your mixed signals.

Naturally, some moments stand out for me as more pleasurable than others. My favorite live shows included Two Nice Girls' send-off at the Great American Music Hall, PJ Harvey's incendiary set at Slim's, the k.d. lang touring cavalcade, Sweet Honey in the Rock's spiritual high at Berkeley Community Theater, and Phranc's double take at Josie's.

Choosing favorite records proved a challenge. For starters, it's more like favorite *CDs*. Over the last year, I made the transition and even found myself becoming something of a CD snob. Those little discs just seemed to get reviewed quicker than cassettes or the odd piece of vinyl that came my way. I also think there is no way to rank music objectively, and so my list is simply my favorites, given my subjective preferences. Since I think in multiples of three, it became my "top nine" list.

My criteria? I had to like it, certainly, but beyond that, I had to feel moved by it. Pluses include a political perspective, a woman-positive point of view, and something new or fresh musically. The women on my list have a few commonalities—they all write, as well as sing, and most play an instrument, too. They all project strong images, though shot through with the kinds of frailties shared by all human beings. They offer a range of human experience, as seen and felt by women artists. They're the kind of women I'd like to know. Here, listed alphabetically by first name, are my nine favorite releases of 1992.

TOP NINE OF '92

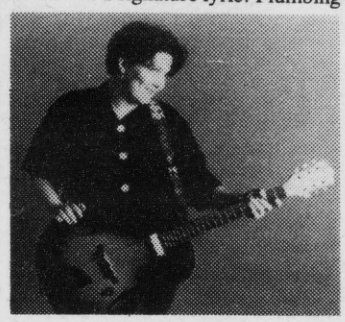


1. Annie Lennox, *Diva*, (Arista)—Dave who? Ex-Eurythmic Lennox makes her solo debut with a bag full of self-penned songs and of course, that voice. It's a slick, slick package, but an unqualified triumph. Annie is captivating no matter what she's singing, but take a look at the lyrics and you'll see she's as self-doubting as ever. Fame, a lost child, the search for love—all catch her songwriter's eye. "Cold" is an appropriate centerpiece, as it describes the tone of *Diva*. In addition to providing a rigorous workout for her soulful voice, the song crystallizes the struggle between self-sufficiency and dependence that has marked Lennox's career. "Dying is easy. It's living that scares me to death," she confides. Happily, she emerges the victor.

2. Concrete Blonde, *Walking in London* (IRS)—Another fine collection of songs, courtesy of singer/bassist/songwriter Johnette Napolitano, whose take-no-prisoners attitude is well suited to her muse of Los Angeles. Napolitano stretches out vocally on the title cut, screeching "desire!" with a ferocity that must be heard—and answered. Other songs probe touchy relationships with a similar lack of regard for decorum. Napolitano's interest is in laying bare the masks women wear, and she reveals her inner workings on "Woman to Woman" ("You know Bessie used to sing to me, 'Don't ever play no second fiddle, baby. Always play lead.'") and "I Wanna Be Your Friend Again." It's a pleasure to hear a woman so in tune with herself taking charge.

3. k.d. lang, *Ingenue* (Sire/WB)—Break up, break through, break OUT! It was a big year in every way for the Canadian crooner, who proved that there is life after country. She had the last laugh, with a Top 40 (if just barely) hit in "Constant Craving," which is still one of my favorite songs. k.d. turned heartache into hitmaking with a lush, melancholy sound worlds away from her old honky-tonk haunts. Dubbed "music to slit your wrists to" by one fan, it proved a durable commodity. I set this aside for four months, put it on, and loved it as much as ever. "Can your heart conceal what the mind of love reveals?" Knowing it's all about women makes it that much sweeter.

4. Kristen Hall, *Fact and Fiction* (Daemon)—Heartbreaking songs and a world-weary voice are the hallmarks of this acoustic act. For now, she's on Amy Ray's tiny label, but signs point to big crossover potential. Hall has a gift for putting into words the low points of her emotional state and making it all painfully accessible to the listener. "I am no stranger to pain. Trouble's a face I know" is a signature lyric. Plumbing the "real-



life stuff" that informs her songs, she finds universal truths in very personal subjects, such as child abuse and love gone wrong. (In fact, she seems to have a cottage industry in breakup songs.) "Walking in the light flirting with the danger" might be her motto. Living it must be hell, but it makes for great music.



Photo by Maria Mochnacz

5. PJ Harvey, *Dry* (Indigo/Island)—Her U.S. debut marks her as one to watch. *Dry* is an exhilarating ride through one woman's neuroses, expressed in singular fashion. Moving between extremes of wanting and needing, Harvey uses body and sexual imagery to illustrate her frame

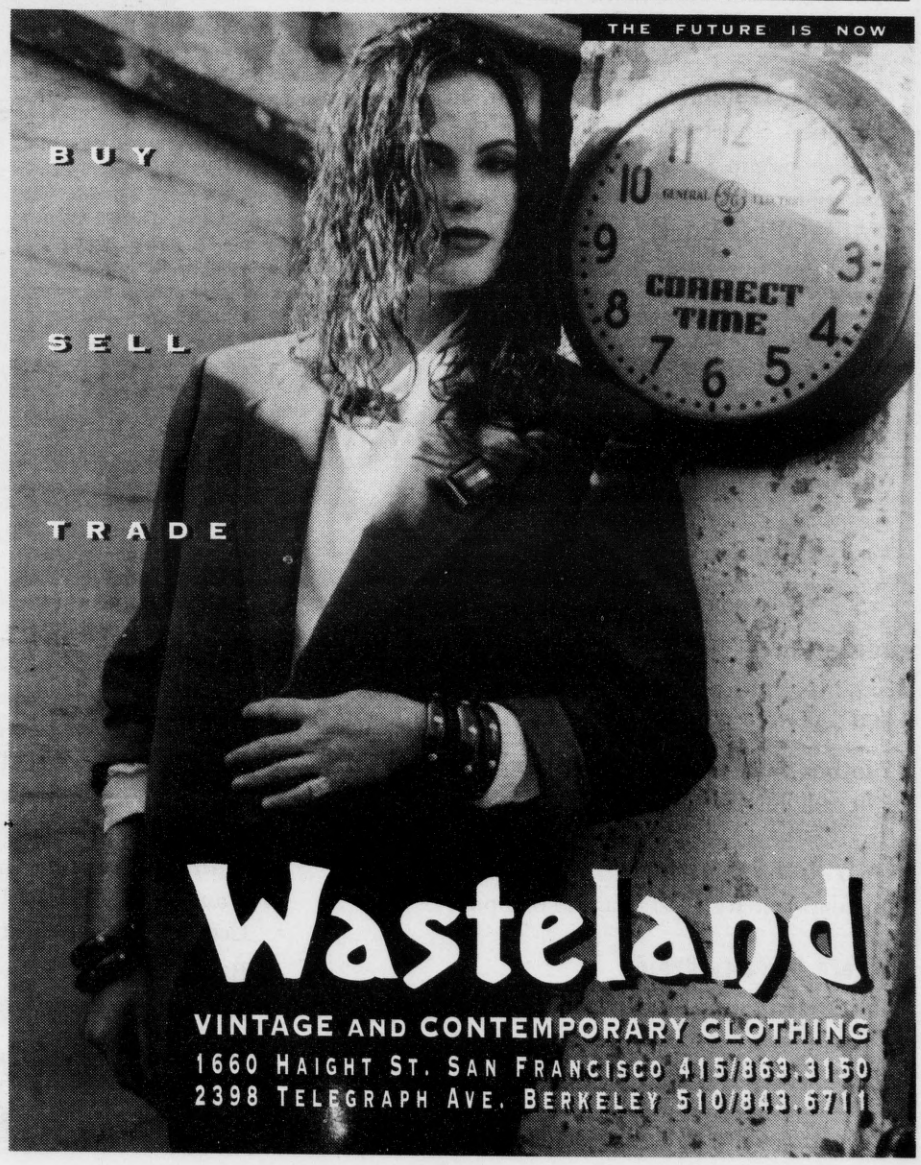
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of mind, as in the lyric, "This fruit is bruised, dropped off and blue, happy and bleeding." Her dynamic range is impressive and has only improved since the band recorded *Dry* in 1991. Though reluctant to call herself a feminist, Harvey's work is steeped in sexual politics, and I look forward to seeing how she develops as a songwriter.



6. Pam Hall, *Honey on My Lips* (Fabulous)—With a little help from her friends at the Institute for the Musical Arts, Hall came up with a nine song work I would describe simply as luscious. "Completely (Honey on My Lips)" ranks as the sexiest song of the year, while "Linda" should immediately be taken up as a lesbian recruiting anthem. With touches of blues, reggae, and folk, the album transcends barriers and leaps into spiritual realms. "A strong amazon, a real womon's womon." That's Pam Hall in a nutshell.

7. Various, *There's a DYKE in the Pit* (Harp)—Bite-sized helpings of revolution, girl style, sure to cleanse your musical palate are served up here. Starring Tribe 8, the Lucy Stoners, 7 Year Bitch and Bikini Kill, this was the year's most timely and inspired compilation, with four rising "grrrl" bands on seven inches of good old-fashioned vinyl. I knew this was getting some attention when I saw it given pride of place in a small, alternative (straight) shop in Seattle. It also wins the award for worst production, but that's a badge of honor with this group of do-it-yourselfers. Suffice it to say, none of the songs is "nice."



Photo by Alan Pogue

8. Tish Hinojosa, *Culture Swing* (Rounder)—A late addition, this is a beautiful collection of "Tex-Mex" singing and songwriting. Of Spanish-Jewish-Mexican ancestry, Hinojosa hails from San Antonio and now resides in Austin. With *Culture Swing*, which she produced, she has melded musical traditions from both sides of the border into what one observer has dubbed "Texas-style *nueva cancion*." I was quickly won over by the mournful cuts "Bandera Del Sol" and "The Window," though her range extends to upbeat Western swing. Nor does Hinojosa forsake political realities. A song like "By the Rio Grande" evokes the muddy river, but also serves as a metaphor for the division between the United States and Mexico, as Hinojosa makes clear: "I've had my life planned by the Rio Grande." On "Something in the Rain," she details the life of a young migrant worker, and in the liner notes, she urges listeners to boycott grapes. The combination of heart and artistry makes for joyful listening.



9. Yo-Yo, *Black Pearl* (EastWest)—"A woman gotta do what a woman gotta do," raps Yo-Yo, making plain that her 1991 debut, *Make Way for the Motherlode*, was no fluke. She has sole writing credit on five of the 11 tracks and co-writing credit on the remainder. All of 21 years old, Yo-Yo has made a space for herself amid the competitive and male-dominated L.A. rap scene, and *Black Pearl* teems with hard-learned lessons about life and love. An outspoken feminist who's "down for the crown," she directs many of her raps to young women. "Tell me what's wrong with being strong!" she taunts on the title track. Let the boys beware.

Also in the running: Girls in the Nose, Mary-Chapin Carpenter, Joan Baez, Suzanne Vega, Diamanda Galas, L7.

Here's to an equally bountiful 1993. Happy listening! ✿

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Leave it to the French to have eight bizillion words for food, hunger and how to eat. *Je creve de faim, j'ai le ventre creux, j'ai la fringale* all translate to basically the same thing: "I'm hungry," even though each has a slightly different slant (respectively, "I'm starving," "I've got a hollow stomach," "I've got an intense, violent desire to eat"). The French and their food are a famous pair; they have a most agreeable way of assembling dish, wine, and friends that easily lasts an afternoon and still ends too soon. The midday meal lasts hours, not minutes, and welcomes lively conversation as much as Americans welcome a five-minute entree.

The action at South of Market's Fringale moves much more quickly than at its French counterparts; as a whole, we brash ones haven't learned the art of the table. I affirm, though, that an encapsulated version of the French lunch can be almost as pleasant and relaxing as the genuine thing.

Chef Gerard Hirigoyen and partner J.B. Lorda come from the French Basque region, in the southwest of France. Chef Hirigoyen worked in Paris for dictatorial pastry genius Millet for five years, and for Lorda at our own St. Tropez for five years. Wanting to do something of their own together, the duo joined forces and opened Fringale a little over a year ago. Hirigoyen's food reflects his roots in French country cooking: He tells me, "Fringale is not a Basque restaurant per se, since some dishes are California influenced, or perhaps in the Pays-Basque I would be called progressive Basque." Employing local, seasonal ingredients *is* one of the tenets of California cuisine, one that Fringale's menu illustrates expertly. A Mussel Salad with Apples, Potatoes, Aioli and Curry, Duck Confit, and the Beet Napoleon are perfect cold weather dishes.

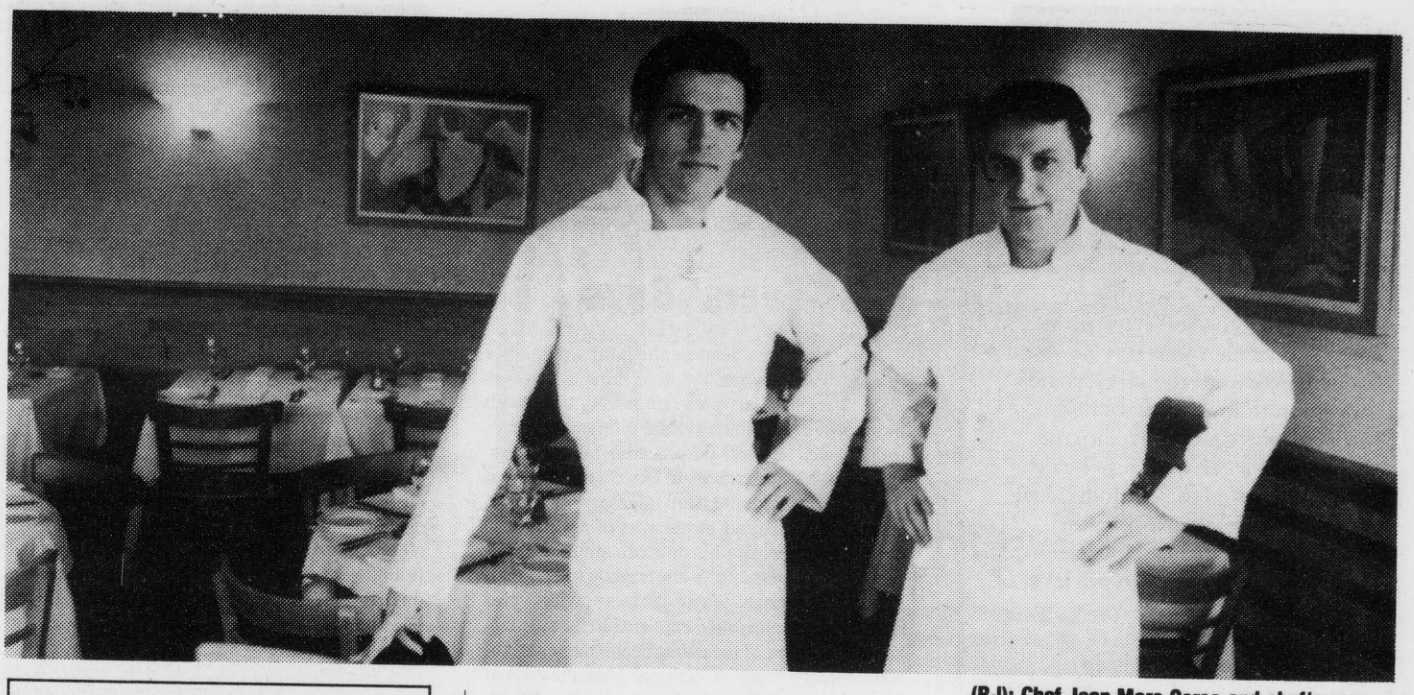
The bustling, one-room restaurant packs tables closely together just to seat the throngs of starving guests arriving each noontime. Yellow walls accented with colorful lithographs of smiling scenes of degustation along with a cordial bar (and bartender) with room to sit, smoke and delight in an after-meal drink make Fringale a sunny, attractive spot. Spiffy waiters carrying gorgeous plates of food provide efficient, professional service.

A subtle **Cream of Chestnut and Celery Soup** (bowl, $3) came as plain as could be, shy of salt and garnish. A surprise, given the care taken in the presentation of other dishes. A fabulous **Beet Napoleon** ($6.50), composed of slices of golden and purple beets and rounds of herbed goat cheese topped with crushed walnuts, was set atop a whimsical scattering of dressed mixed greens and chives. The sweet beets played wonderfully off the tart goat cheese and peppery greens. Magnificent **Smoked and Fresh Salmon Rillettes** ($5) brought four slices of the *rillette*, a "potted meat," shaped round here, tasting brightly of both smoked and fresh salmon on a bed of greens and chives.

The generously portioned **Beef Carpaccio with Lemon, Olive Oil and Ardi-Gasna** ($7) also came flecked with capers, chives and shards of the smooth Ardi-Gasna (an aged Basque cheese made with sheep's milk). Ann, my companion, was telling me, "I don't care what it is; it's delicious," as she lifted the last forkful to her mouth. A special of **Prawns in Shellfish Broth** ($11) arrived steaming, with plenty of crunchy, fresh prawns arranged on a bed of steamed spinach in a piquant, vibrant orange liquid steeped with cayenne, pimento, basil and coriander.

An extensive, fairly priced list of still and sparkling wines should not be overlooked. I recommend the **Domaine Laurens Blanquette de Limoux** (1988, $22) sparkling wine, an undersold, undiscovered value, and the **Jurancon Sec**, a white from southwest France naturally made for the food.

Desserts brought me back to Paris, to lunches of *petitesquiches* and *jambon-frites*, always followed by a sweet treat. At Fringale, the **Creme Brulee with Vanilla** ($3.25) is sublime, with a velvety texture, just sweet enough, crowned by a crust of caramelized sugar, and pretty much the best I've tasted. Gerard's **Whipped Pistachio and Chestnut Cream Mousse** ($4.75) flawlessly combines suave, sophisticated flavors with the lightest yet richest of textures. Perfect cappuccinos may be followed by glasses of Armagnac (a region which, after all, is in Gascogne, also containing the Pays-Basque), Cognac, or Calvados. Now you are ready to complete your day calmly, knowing you have been well-fed and cared for. And the next time that demon beast *fringale* should raise his nasty head, you'll know where to point yourself.



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Miss Evers' Boys

As we have learned the hard way—since 1980—when the government involves itself in any program having to do with the health of its citizenry, the ultimate benefactor may well be a self-perpetuating bureaucracy.

ACT's Associate Artistic Director Benny Sato Ambush has mounted an intensely powerful, emotionally charged production of *Miss Evers' Boys,* David Feldshuh's dramatization of a real-life "moral nightmare"—the tragedy of Southern African-American tenant farmers with "bad blood" (the professional euphemism for syphilis) and the dilemma of the public health nurse assigned to "treat" them. A fictional dramatization of James H. Jones' documentary study, *Bad Blood,* the play serves as an indictment of contemporary scientific study gone astray.

The Tuskegee Study of Syphilis in the Untreated Negro Male was begun in 1932 and collapsed in scandal in 1972. Its purpose was to determine from autopsies what effect the disease had on the organs and bones of the human body. The male subjects were promised free transportation to and from hospital tests, free hot lunches, free medicines for ordinary diseases, and free burial (after autopsy). A total of 600 men unwittingly took part in a program that deliberately withheld treatment—even after penicillin became available in the late 1940s.

The fictional Miss Evers (in a beautifully understated performance by Judith Moreland) is sent as a public health nurse to assist in the U.S. government's program to study the rampant disease in rural Macon County, Georgia. The playwright casts four men as Miss Evers' focus group. They are initially suspicious, but she speaks their language, and she earns their trust by encouraging them to get their share of "that bushel basketful of government money." She also bribes them into signing up by promising to drive them in her government car to their "gillee" dance contests—their one chance to escape poverty, make it big, and head up North.



ACT's "Miss Evers' Boys." Photo by Larry Merkle

Willie Johnson (Kent Cash) is the eager young dancer whose goal is New York's Cotton Club. Caleb (Wendell Pierce), angry and distrustful, reluctantly falls into line with spirit-healer Hodman (Fracaswell Hyman) and the peace-making Ben (Charles Branklyn). The four men, calling themselves Miss Evers' Boys, burst into a giddy, abandoned dance to drum and washboard accompaniment.

The devoted Miss Evers supervises the men's "treatment"—their mercury backrubs, occasional injections of such toxic metals as arsenic (a cure-or-kill therapy), the blood tests, and a frightening enactment of a spinal tap on Caleb by Dr. Douglas (Dennis Barnett). "He will get better," she assures Caleb after the doctor has clumsily needled his back for a fluid sample.

After Washington cuts off its funding, the official decision is made to continue the treatment with placebos in order to complete the study. Using the rationale that the study might eventually "help more people than it hurts," Dr. Brodus (Steven Anthony Jones) and his partner in the program, pragmatic Dr. Douglas, prevail upon Miss Evers to set aside her ethical considerations and embrace their dedication to the long-range scientific study.



Jean Stapleton as Mrs. Clancy in "The Italian Lesson." Photo by Tom Chargin

The long second act (some judicious editing might be in order) mostly concerns Miss Evers' growing disillusionment and moral ambiguity at being used to hold the men in line. Her pleas that her boys be included in the new, experimental penicillin treatment are denied. She can only stand by and watch as the disease begins its physical ravagement of her charges.

For all of its accusations of official neglect and personal betrayal, *Miss Evers' Boys* is layered with life-affirming performances. The early dance numbers, staged with joyous spontaneity by Halifu Osumare, do much to balance the dark subject matter. From early exuberance to final acknowledgement of deception, Miss Evers and her four boys are a remarkable acting ensemble. Clifton Taylor's lighting and Jefferson Sage's simple platform set create shifting areas of time and space. Director Ambush has delivered ACT's first real "hit" of the season.

Highly recommended. And if you're a bit shy about watching blood being drawn, just close your eyes. I did. *Miss Evers' Boys* continues through Jan. 31 at the Stage Door Theatre. Tickets at the Geary Theatre box office, 405 Geary Blvd., or call 749-2ACT or any BASS/TM outlet.

Jean Stapleton in Two Musical Monologues at Marines Memorial

Long before her portrayal of the distracted Edith Bunker brought her worldwide renown, Jean Stapleton had appeared on Broadway in *Funny Girl,* in the film and stage versions of *Bells Are Ringing* and *Damn Yankees*, in some 30 other plays, movies and TV shows, and in *Candide* with the Baltimore Opera Company.

The versatile Ms. Stapleton is currently charming audiences in the West Coast premiere of two monologues: *Bon Appetit!* a singing monologue based on a Julia Child TV demonstration for making a chocolate cake, and a longer monologue based on a 1926 work by Ruth Draper called *The Italian Lesson*. Both pieces have been set to music by Lee Hoiby and the adaptations are by Mark Shulgasser. ACT is presenting the evening as a Christmas special under the direction of Carey Perloff.

I saw Ms. Draper's performance of *The Italian Lesson* in the late '40s when more innocent theatrical fare was the order of the day (and before incest, orgasm and excrement were the ordained topics of performance art). It's a slight work, admittedly dated, but as beguiling as a yellowed valentine.

Stapleton's sliding-scale vibrato works well in a role that calls for a bantering recitative. She is Upper East Side society matron Mrs. Clancy, arranging her day in the privacy of her boudoir. First on the agenda is the Italian lesson. She reads a few lines of Dante to her Italian tutor, exclaims at their beauty, bemoans the mediocrity of their

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translation into English, and puts down the book to make a gossipy phone call. One call leads to another, each interrupted in turn by the arrival of her manicurist, her maid, her secretary, her children, and a put-upon cook, who is instructed to prepare dinner for eight with "squabs in that divine sauce that's probably made with red wine," along with a favorite souffle that she mistakenly recalls looking and tasting like fish. Between sending the chauffeur to deliver her husband's golf clubs, and a giggling, flirtatious call to her lover, she picks up the Dante and repeats the same two lines. So much for the lesson!

Stapleton's every gesture, from untangling the phone cord to nuzzling the new puppy to running her hands through her daughter's hair, is spontaneously perfect.

In *Bon Appetit!* Stapleton breezes on, takes her position at the kitchen table, and in Julia Child's hearty, breathy delivery performs an affectionate tribute to the master chef. She melts the chocolate, breaks and separates the eggs (tossing the shells over her shoulder onto the floor of her "self-cleaning kitchen"), blows some excess flour onto the floor, wipes her buttery fingers on her dress instead of her apron, pops the cake pans into the oven, and magically retrieves them moments later to test with a toothpick (which is also tossed over her shoulder), ices the two layers, and holds the finished cake up for our inspection. "Bon Appetit!" she grins.

Stapleton continues her two-part musical monologues through Jan. 9 at the Marines Memorial Theatre. Tickets at the 415 Geary Blvd. box office, all BASS/TM outlets, or call 749-2ACT.



Photo by Richard Lee

Sandra Reaves: Late Great Ladies Of Blues and Jazz

Sandra Reaves is a big woman with a big voice. In her West Coast debut, a special holiday presentation of ACT through Jan. 10, she delivers her own conceived and scripted impressions of six blues and jazz greats, though inexplicably she includes gospel singer Mahalia Jackson in a finale that evolved into a clapping, foot-stomping revival meeting.

Backed by her "All-Star Jazz Band," which failed to cast much starlight in its overlong and a touch ragged overture ("California Here I Come," "When the Saints Come Marching In," and "Sweet Georgia Brown"), Reaves sings her first number, "Blues Lament," offstage. She then sashays on for a bodacious rendering of "Take Me As I Am."

Reaves sprinkles her sets with brief vignettes about her ladies—a couple of which border on the sentimental, a couple, covering unhappy, even tragic ground, already known. Obviously too young to have seen these singers live in their heyday, Reaves relies on some distinctive mannerisms and vocal techniques to create their impressions.

Fringed and feathered to a fare-thee-well, she stomps, romps and does a few barrelhouse grinds in a raucous take on Ma Rainey's "Strut Miss Lizzie." And that's just a warm-up. Her all-out belt on "CC Rider" is one of the evening's highlights.

Though her rich, modulated voice lacks the edgy roughness of Bessie Smith, Reaves turns "Gimme a Pigfoot" into a remarkable celebration of Bessie's exuberant growl. Gowned in shimmering red satin and caressing a great white boa, she vamps through "I Need a Little Sugar in My Bowl," leaving no innuendo unexposed. Playing the "Bessie set" as though we were guests at her party, she carries on some flirtatious chitchat with the audience before launching into her soulful lament, "Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out."

Moments later, purple-gowned and glittery-fringed and shimmying her ample body to a full-throated "Shake That Thing," she's back as Ethel Waters. A medley of "Stormy Weather" and "St. Louis Woman" is delivered in a sultry blues vein. Then, in an overly dramatic bit designed to tug at our hearts, Reaves recounts Waters' religious conversion, merging the dialogue into a too-big, too-passionate "His Eye Is on the Sparrow." On the several occasions I heard Waters sing the song, I was most impressed with the lightness of her voice, its sweet clarity, and the exquisite tenderness it brought to the lyrics.

The most eerily impressive set is dedicated to Billie Holiday. Reaves gives us Billie late in her career, when the NYPD refused to issue her a work permit for cabarets but was powerless to stop her from performing at Carnegie Hall. This was Holiday as "ravaged celebrity." "They tell me I'm making a comeback," she says, "but nobody tells me where I've been." Holiday's voice is there as Reaves meanders around on the stage, blatantly lifting a coke-filled fingernail to her nose. The first phrase of "Solitude" brought a gasp of recognition from the audience. It's *all* there, the unmistakable scratchy crack resounding of pain, the consonants carelessly brushed over, that extra syllable at the end of a lingering note. Her "Good Morning, Heartache," is almost unbearably poignant. "Them There Eyes" broke the spell with its infectious charm, and she signed off with "God Bless the Child."

Blond-wigged and sassy, her Dinah Washington didn't particularly evoke the original to my ear. With fewer flamboyant characteristics to work with, Reaves flounces about, belting "Please Send Me Someone to Love," and then "What a Difference a Day Makes."

In her finale, a testimonial to Mahalia Jackson, Reaves appears in a flowing white gown (the most flattering of the evening), a Mahalia wig, and whips the standing audience into a frenzy of sing-along gospel. She steam-rollers through some rousing choruses of "Down by the Riverside" and "When the Saints Come Marching In." As energized at the end as she had been two hours earlier, she undoubtedly could have sung all night.

Sandra Reaves continues at the Marines Memorial (alternating with *Bon Appetit!*) through Jan. 10. Tickets at ACT box office, 45 Geary Blvd., or call 749-2ACT. ✿

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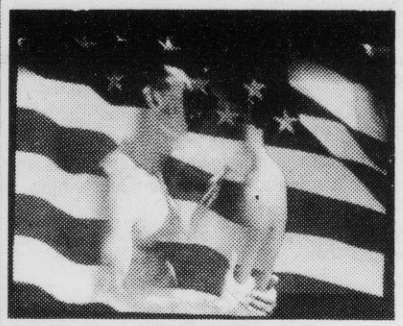
Reviewed by Randy Turoff

The time has come—long overdue—for local PBS station KQED (Channel 9) to honor the wealth of visual material available through the work of independent film and video artists in this area. The time has come to acknowledge the enormous amount of work being done by the multiculturally diverse artists of the Bay Area, under the auspices of the different media arts organizations which support, showcase and promote new visions. A lot of people, including myself, are tiring of all those program hours on KQED devoted to stuffy British pomp, silliness and fireside nostalgia. And while I'm at it, I might ask, just how many times can KQED re-run Pavarotti, as good as he may be, under the rubric of ''viewers' choice'' or ''encore performance''?

I'm glad to report that for the new year, producer Jack Walsh is launching a virgin series on the station called ''The Living Room Festival,'' which will premiere on Jan. 8 and run for 13 consecutive weeks, bringing us a large selection of short works which are not usually privy to mainstream exposure. The program will highlight 63 films by new media artists which have been selected by Bay Area media arts organizations, including: Cine Accion, Frameline, Pacific Film Archive, Black Filmmakers Hall of Fame, Film Arts Foundation, National Asian American Telecommunications Association, S.F. Cinematheque, Bay Area Video Coalition, National Educational Film and Video Festival, American Indian Film Festival, Corporation on Telecommunications and Disabilities, New American Makers and California Newsreel. Each organization has its own Friday night slot. Unfortunately, the series has been slated for late-night viewing (11-12:30 pm) instead of prime time, which I'm afraid will effectively eliminate a large segment of the possible viewing audience.



A scene from ''Invisible Women,'' by Ellen Spiro and Marina Alvarez.



Marlon Riggs' ''Anthem.''

Of special interest to the gay community is a night devoted exclusively to gay programming. Be sure to mark your calendar for Feb. 12. There are a few gay and lesbian films sprinkled throughout the festival at other times (Jan. 8, 22 and Feb. 26), but for unadulterated queer viewing pleasure, you won't want to miss the 90 minutes produced by Frameline, sponsors of the annual Lesbian/Gay Film Festival, on Feb. 12. The section starts with a strong political statement: ''Some people don't want you to watch what we are going to show you in this program. For the next 90 minutes your TV is going to become a powerful weapon in a cultural war. It's a war to protect the visibility and freedom of expression of lesbian and gay artists.''

The program is a splendid collection of over a dozen short films, ranging from comedy skits to explorations of gender, drag and machismo, to AIDS activism, teenage love and radical gay music videos. Great public service announcements punctuate the program, showing gay couples engaged in erotic deep kissing with the message: ''Get Used to It'' flashing across the screen.

The program starts light and comic and gets more into sexual politics as it moves along. The first wince for conservative viewers will most likely arise with the film *Tag Helms*, where gay and lesbian activists are shown constructing a giant condom and wrapping it around Jesse Helms' house in Arlington, Va. Digital sex is humorously rendered in James Raymond's video, *Fingered!*, which follows a lesbian searching for the perfect sex partner with the best set of fingers, and finding her epitomized by a Mozart-playing pianist. Sarah Whitely's *Passing* is a clear statement about gender identity, with the lesbian protagonist switching into butch and femme personas with the help of a skillful make-up artist. The protagonist tells us how she feels powerful and important in male drag and shows us the way she takes up so much more space. Then she switches into a feminine drag and talks about the covert power of the feminine. When she passes as this kind of feminine woman, she says, ''I feel the power to control the male gaze and male attention. But, I don't want it.'' Another gender-bender, beautifully done, comes from filmmaker Ming-Yuen Ma, called *Aura*. It's a deconstructed music video displaying ''blossom boys,'' glamorous Asian drag divas moving down the

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Spiro & Alvarez's "Invisible Women."

runway. A voice-over narrates the fashion show in poetic images drawn from ancient Chinese and Japanese poetry about blossom boys of yore. The camera work is sensual and post-modern simultaneously.

The most radical film is the last and it will surely raise a few eyebrows. Marlon Riggs has made a powerful music video called *Anthem*. As the American flag flutters on the screen, a pair of African-American men kiss and fondle each other slowly, and the poem speaks about finding the cracks and crevices of one another and kissing and loving like lesbians. A voice speaks of love being worship and of worshipping love, as a gold crucifix floats through on a dissolve. The video continues with music and dancing, showing Willi Ninja juxtaposed beside African warriors, making the same elegant movements. But perhaps the most arresting combination of visual and oral imagery appears with a Black man facing us as Old Glory shimmers behind him, telling us about how " in America, I place my ring on your cock where it belongs ... In America, they don't know we are becoming powerful ... with everything we kiss, we confirm the new world coming." Homosex, the crucifix, the flag and radical racial politics: Riggs pushes all the buttons. There's good music too.

Opening the 13-week "Living Room Festival" on Jan. 8 are three short films curated by Cine Accion's Jennifer Maytorena Taylor. The film highlighted by Cine Accion is a 26-minute video by Marina Alvarez and Ellen Spiro called *(In) Visible Women*. It is a sobering and inspiring account of the lives of three HIV-positive women of color and their initiation into AIDS activism. The film was the winner of best video short at the 1992 San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Film Festival. As Jeannie, from Chicago, tells other women at a rally, "You've got to protect yourselves. If you don't tell people, you die alone. I'm now blessed with good friends and people who support me." She says that women with AIDS die 3 or 4 times faster than men and that women are less likely to be able to get medical treatment. What turned her onto activism was an overnight vigil which ACT UP staged at a major Chicago hospital. Because of the demonstration, the hospital opened up an AIDS ward to women for the first time. Another of the three women, Marina, speaks of training women in the community as AIDS educators. From doing volunteer work at the AIDS Foundation in the Bronx, she's moved into full-scale activism. She addresses the Latino audience and tells them that ACT UP is not just a bunch of people making a lot of noise; they are people fighting for what they believe in. We follow her with a Latino caucus storming into the Bronx Borough President's office. She confronts the man face-to-face and asks him, "What is this office doing directly for the community? Who is helping the women with children? You can push paper in your office all day, but who's coming to the Baker House [a homeless shelter for women with AIDS]?"

Irma, the third woman, has died since the film came out. On screen she says she's doing this because if she had seen something like this film, it would have been really helpful. Her message to other women is: "You can still love yourself and have AIDS. You can live and have AIDS."

This type of film advocates an end to victimization by the shame and guilt associated with invisibility. It stresses that sero-positive women can and must assume active roles in educating other women and in fighting government indifference to the growing needs in their communities. It's an uplifting documentary, despite the gravity of the situation it depicts, and it's a first of its kind within the genre.

Preceding *(In) Visible Women* are two other shorts by Latino filmmakers. The first is Luis Valdovino's *Work in Progress*, an experimental film combining spliced-in live footage with campy public service announcements. It's done as a tongue-in-cheek portrayal of illegal "aliens" (as invaders from space) against a more serious background showing the plight of Chicano immigrant workers and the history of immigration legislation. The other film in the series is a sentimental kind of narrative story by children's book writer and filmmaker Gary Soto about a boy and his bicycle, called *The Bike*. ✿

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With 1992's gala performance, "Rosencrantz & Guildenstern's Excellent Adventure," our resident G&S company has outdone itself. The deconstructed Shakespearean musical is worthy of a Broadway run. Certainly it is a pity this splendid musical adventure played only four performances. I should think high school lit classes could keep this irreverent romp running for a month or two at some local theater. It's Shakespeare without tears, though tampered with *ad absurdum,* and intriguing enough to make a student want to read the original.

The fact that one may have missed the movie, *Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure*, is of no consequence. This take-off is considerably better than the original.

Bill (Behrend J. Eilers) and Ted (Lawrence Ewing) are two nerdy USF students and dorm roommates who "high-five" each other frequently, and wear the bills on their caps to the rear. They pepper their dialogue with such colorful phrases as "egregiously heinous" and "bodacious." You know the types. Faced with an imminent exam on the works of Shakespeare, they split up the assigned dramas for study, but soon, mind-numbed, fall asleep.

In their first-act dream, a complete musical in itself, the history of Macbeth unfolds, with Bill and Ted added to the cast, along with other inexplicable additions. Macbeth is accosted by three witches who merrily sing "Three Weird and Ugly Hags Are We ("Three Little Maids," *Mikado*). Unaware that she's in the wrong play, Ophelia next appears to sing "Cheerily Carols to the Lark" (*Ruddygore*). Lear's daughters Regan and Goneril make their appearance, as do the songs of Richard IV, Hamlet and Romeo, followed by a brief scene change that introduces the Macbeths at home, singing, "There Is Beauty in the Murder of a King" to another *Mikado* tune.

Assorted plans are being made at the Crashing Boar Tavern (don't ask) when Ophelia is carried on, gone to her drowned reward with a fish sticking out of her mouth. In short order we are again at Macbeth's castle where the entire company is joined by Henry IV's ghost, Hamlet and Mistress Quickly. Everyone is stabbed to death in a beautifully choreographed all-singing, all-dancing finale.

As Bill or Ted is heard to say when viewing the disarray of bodies, "Well, that was fun."

William Neely played Henry IV, David Cottingham played Bishop Polonius, Barbara Heroux was Ophelia, Rick Williams was Horick, John Rouse was Hamlet, Dan Gensemer was Romeo, Jean Cardin Ziaja was the delightfully evil Lady Macbeth, and Marti K. Berg was sweet Juliet.

Act Two, another dream sequence, managed to interface dramatic themes from *Midsummer Night's Dream, The Tempest* and *The Taming of the Shrew* quite logically. The music, with generously altered lyrics, was from *Iolanthe, Patience, Pirates of Penzance, The Merry Widow,* and *Die Fledermaus*.

A storm at sea wrecks a ship just off the coast of Illyria. The survivors straggle ashore to be met by Bill and Ted carrying surf boards. Jonathan S. Spencer, in the part of Prospero, falls for Karen Tesitor as Viola, disguised as a boy. Christopher Walkey played Viola's twin brother, Cello. Lester King played ugly but cuddly Caliban; Sherbonne Barnes played, Miranda who also falls for Viola thinking she's a boy. William Neely was pirate king Petrucho; Jane Hammet was a rambunctious Kate; Raymond Coshow was a disgruntled, mutinous Hook; and Rick Williams was Fortinbras.

The sight gags were delicious with both Prospero and daughter Miranda falling for Viola in boy drag. Of Prospero's infatuation, Bill and Ted sing, "In that case the dude's demented. Single he must live and die. But he ought to be contented, when the waves are ten feet high."

In a lovely duet from *The Merry Widow*, Petruchio sings to Kate, "I do confess, I am spellbound by your charms." She responds, "Approach me not, or I'll have to break your arms."

Conceived by Raymond R. Coshow, the book and dialogue were by Barbara E. Herous; musical direction by Baker Peeples. Additional lyrics by several members of the cast and, where applicable, by Messrs. Shakespeare and W.S. Gilbert.

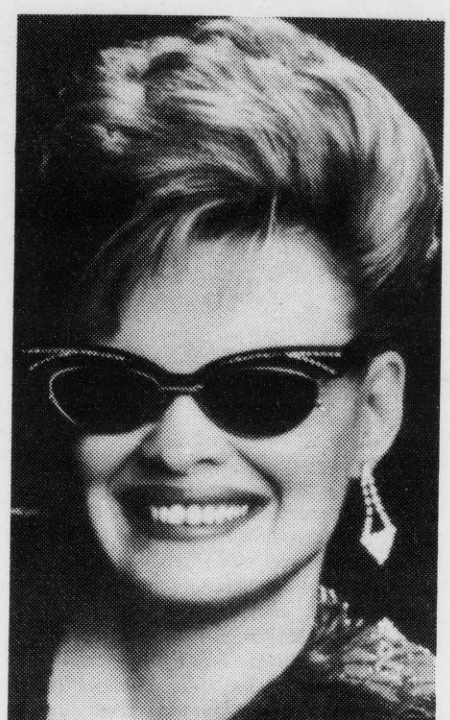
As Bill and Ted might say, "It was the mostest fun." OK, Lamplighter trustees, you've got a hit on your hands. What are you going to do with it?"

Diane Schuur Trio at Keystone Korner Yoshi's

Perhaps the most important thing that has changed about Diane Schuur, the popular, dynamic jazz singer who appeared on the scene in the mid-70s, then again in the early 80s, is that her voice has matured and her own personal "sound" has settled in. Well, that and the fact that she's lost a great deal of weight. "Deedles," as she is affectionately known to her friends and fans, is now down to "half a needle," and is looking great.

Deedles makes a local appearance about once a year, and this time she popped in for a week at Keystone Korner Yoshi's. A Grammy winner, Schuur has successfully bridged the gap between pop and jazz. Her influences are primarily the jazz greats, as is evident on her new GRP release, *In Tribute,* an album dedicated to such icons as Fitzgerald, Holiday, Vaughan, McRae and Peggy Lee, but her sound edges on pop. Whatever the case, she does have an abundance of soul, and she pours it into every song.

Heading a quartet that consists of herself on piano, Seward McCain on bass, Jim Zimmerman on drums, and Bill Cantos on synthesizer, backup and sometimes lead vocals, Schuur covers quite a range of material. She includes her hits, of course, opening with "Deedles' Blues" (a great recording can be found on her album with the Count Basie Orchestra), and eventually getting around to her classic version of Porter's "Easy to Love." "Them There Eyes" swung enough to have set Billie Holiday to tapping her foot, and "Unforgettable" was just that. She ventures into pop with "Nobody Does Me Like You Do," "I Caught a Touch of Your Love," and "Louisiana Sunday Afternoon," all three with Bill Cantos on backup vocals (more of a distraction than an addition, in my opinion).



The fabulous Diane Schuur.

The highlights of her set include her intense delivery of "Teach Me Tonight" as a ballad, her own "Love Dance," and a blues in which she professes to be a "hard drivin' Mama with supersonic speed." She even threw in "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town" as a sop to the holiday motif.

Overall, Schuur sounds as brilliant as ever, though I wish she had performed solo or with a more competent (rehearsed?) group of musicians. The addition of a synthesizer was quite unnecessary, often covering up her own beautiful playing, and the other musicians seldom came up to Schuur's level. Perhaps next time around she'll treat us to a solo gig.

The Keystone All Star Holiday Festival (Freddie Hubbard, Bobby Hutcherson, Bobby Watson, Eddie Gomez, Lenny White, Jerry Gonzalez, Mulgrew Miller and Mel Martin) continues through Jan. 3. Call (510) 652-9200. ✿

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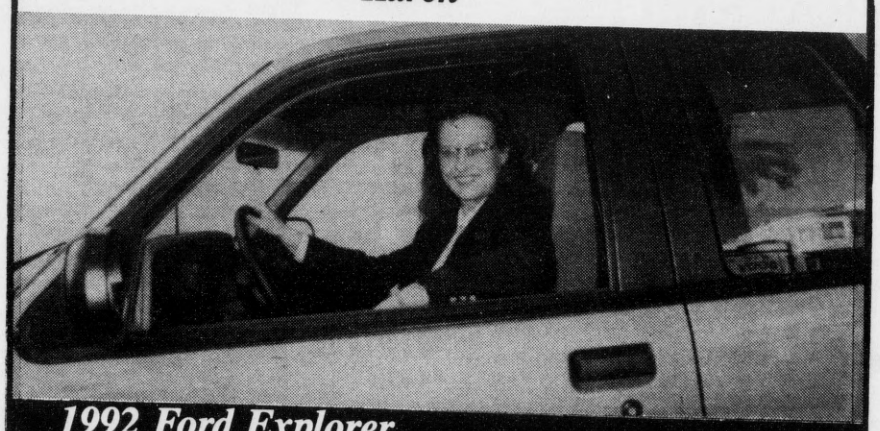
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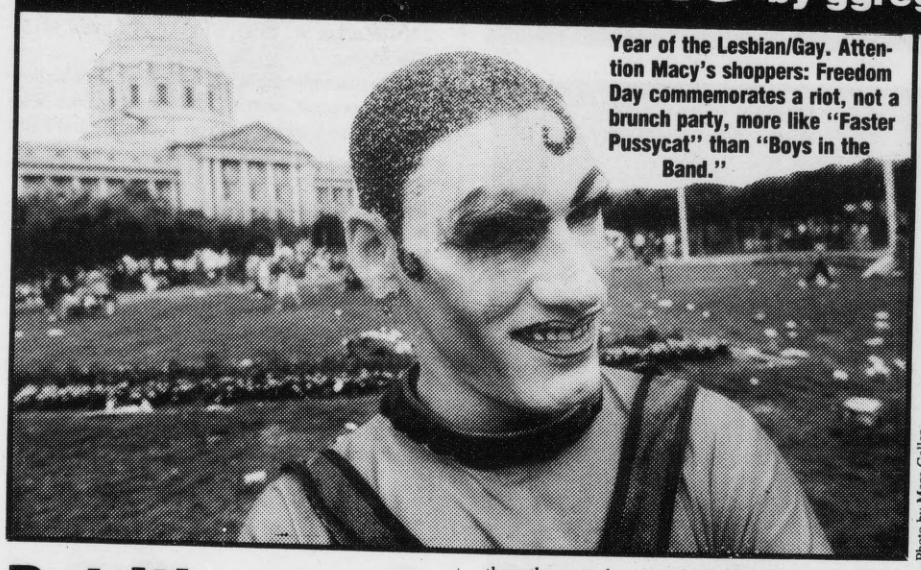
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Year of the Lesbian/Gay. Attention Macy's shoppers: Freedom Day commemorates a riot, not a brunch party, more like "Faster Pussycat" than "Boys in the Band."

Photo by Marc Geller

But It's *Soooo* 1991

The messages on the SF Lesbian/Gay Parade office's voicemail drone on of late, predominantly expressing indignation at the use of the word "queer" in the 1993 event theme, "Year of the Queer." Almost every message opposing the choice contains some threat: a declaration of the speaker's power, and an assertion of the parade committee's powerlessness. In every case, the voices were of men who sounded very white.

Marsha Levine and I, as co-chairs, are going to be fired, beaten, sued, run out of town. One man controls 2,000 people who will not be coming because he is angry. Another man says he spends $10,000 each year on the event, but will not be doing so this year.

It comes as little surprise that people only speak out when discontent, otherwise avoiding involvement which might require effort or commitment. Yeah, I'm working to eliminate my oppression... can't you see my red ribbon? An anonymous phone call or a letter is much cleaner than an actual time commitment.

This is the first time in years that anyone other than the parade committee has even noticed the theme. Remember "Hand in Hand Together"? "The Future Is Ours"? "A Simple Matter of Justice"? Mmmmm... real winners. The theme is mainly decorative, a phrase on a T-shirt that will probably only see the light of day at Gay Mens' Chorus concerts, or mingling with Turtle Wax at charity car washes.

On the street and in the pages of the papers people are crediting and blaming me for the theme selection. I wasn't even in town for the meeting when it was chosen, and I squealed when I was informed over the phone. It's *soooo* 1991, which was when Queer Nation declared it to be the "Year of the Queer." It's passe. My suggestion was "Love Is Worth Fighting For," a digestible, romantic, quasi-activist theme ending in a preposition. Being 3,000 miles away, however, I could neither lobby nor whine. But anything beats the mega-ultra-uber-tired national theme, "A Family of Pride."

The parade committee, a public body which serves the entire community, must be responsible, responsive and accountable. Public attendance and input is encouraged. Traditionally one of the largest problems with the group is its insular, incestuous nature. Running the parade isn't terribly interesting, so those running it usually aren't either. Wanna chat a tad about Port-O-Lets?

I would suggest that those who love or hate the theme come to the next general membership meeting and voice their opinions. The committee's meeting date hasn't changed in 7 years, always landing on the second Sunday of the month. The next meeting is Jan. 10 at 5 pm. If the voting membership doesn't listen to community input, then this administration is no better than those they swept out of office. The SF Lesbian/Gay Parade committee's job is to serve the community, not to divide it.

INTERNATIONAL MALE COMES OUT OF THE CLOSET

"At long last, a catalog that caters exclusively to gay men and openly recognizes and reveres Gay Style!" declares *International Male*'s new spinoff catalog *H.I.M.*—"The Look. The Lifestyle. The Catalog."

I.M.'s stylized, body-conscious male imagery has been enhanced, replacing men standing alone with men *actually touching* each other. Of course we rarely see them looking at each other, but hey, these boys seem more comfy with a camera than a conversation.

In the traditional style of its predecessor, featuring sports surgery and Retin-A at its finest, super cute boys are showcased in a rich cavalcade of firm, upturned buttocks and secret-special-place still lifes which leave nothing to the imagination.

"8 am. You like it strong and dark; his has to be sweet and blond. You don't drink your coffee the same, but thank goodness you're both morning people." The text running through the pages is fabulous, leaving *I.M.* and *Shocking Gray* far away, as *H.I.M.* creates a new level of commercial pseudo-hot talk.

The new catalog even recognizes Spada's Freedom Rings as being queer—I mean gay—a far cry from *I.M.*'s description, "Show your individuality." It's comforting knowing you can buy individuality in bulk. ✿

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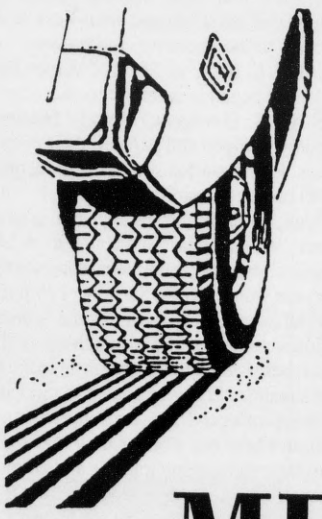
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Abuse

Gay relationships are not immune to abuse or the "battered wife syndrome." I have interviewed several men that are in abusive relationships and found almost identical symptoms and outcomes in each. From the documentaries I have seen on the battered wife syndrome, the battered partners blame themselves for the abuse inflicted on them, and truly cannot see themselves as victims. The victim finds him- or herself in a never-ending loop of self-blame for the beatings they receive and therefore do not seek help. Let us separate S/M and abusive relationships from each other, because S/M relationships are based on respect, trust, and an agreement by both parties, unlike abusive relationships, that are based on confusion and hate, with no consent.

Here is an example of abuse from the men I interviewed: The abuser starts off with name calling or insults; once tempers are high, the abuser moves on to pushing, punching and even choking. The abuser acts calm and pleasant in public or to other friends, but when confronted with intimacy becomes insecure and afraid, which leads to the violence, and in some cases, drugs and drinking.

Even though the example given here deals with men, women also experience the same things in lesbian relationships. I would like to say that if you are a man or woman and think you are in an abusive relationship, seek help. There is no excuse for abusing someone or allowing yourself to be continuously abused. If you know of someone that is in one of these roles and does not seem to be able to end the cycle, you must try to reach out to them and let them know that they need help. Not everyone recognizes the symptoms, and they may need your help to address the problem and seek counseling.

I talked with someone at the Mission police station and was told that a battery charge can be filed against the abuser only if the victim is willing to press charges. After the arrest the case will be reviewed by the General Works Department, then referred to the district attorney's office, if warranted. At this time, battery is only a misdemeanor, but may be the wakening factor in finding help for both parties. The district attorney can insist on counseling for the battery charge and may even have more stringent recommendations to address the problem.

Here are some numbers you can call if you have questions, or to get help (all numbers are in San Francisco; you can contact the Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project or WOMAN Inc., for referrals in your area):

For the victim: Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project, 864-3112; Family Violence Project (men & women), 552-7550; WOMAN Incorporated 864-4722; District Attorney, 553-1860; SF Police Dept., 553-1544.

For the abuser: Center for Special Problems, 558-4801 and Man Alive, 552-1361.



Ms. Headquarters contestants Jennifer and Queen Cougar with emcees Art and Donna Shrout. Photo by B.J.

MS. HEADQUARTERS CONTEST

It was a packed house and lots of fun for the Ms. HQ contest produced by Lupe Rosenbaum and the Pacific Bears California. Art Tomaszewski (Mr. HQ '92) co-emceed with Donna Shrout (Ms. Northern Calif. Leather '92), and the judges were Irwin Kane (Leather Daddy X), Blair (IMSL '92), Skeeter (Dyke Daddy II), Philip Turner (HQ), Ben Hershy, and Tally Master Chris Jackson. The contestants—Jennifer Lucas and Colleen Small, aka Queen Cougar—had answers to questions that even excited the men. The beer flowed, the staff was its usual hunky self, and the crowd was awfully friendly. Queen Cougar was crowned the winner and will represent Headquarters in the Ms. SF Leather Contest. B.C. Cliver (Dyke Daddy I) entranced the audience with a dance and strip tease, and Dickie Davis sang a couple of songs. Thank you to the owner and management of Headquarters for its community involvement and appetizing atmosphere.

EAGLE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Another successful Christmas party from the staff and management of the Eagle. As always, great food and a warm family feeling make the night an anticipated event each year. A good gathering of friends during the busy holiday season at a place like the Eagle makes it a lot easier to wish your friends happy holidays. Thank you Terry and David and staff for the love that you give to the leather community.

BOYS AND GIRLS IN TOYLAND

"Quite a fun evening. This was David Herrin's first benefit, and it wasn't half bad. David had a nice lineup of entertainers, but unfortunately two out of the four acts could not make the appearance. Dickie Davis sang Christmas songs accompanied by Don Thompson on the piano. Judith Tury (Ms. SF Cheeks & Chaps '93), Emerson Briney (Mr. International Drummer '93), and David Oliver played the children on Christmas night and asked Santa (Sky Renfro) to demonstrate how to use their new toys (paddles, floggers, etc.). Money raised from this event went to the AIDS Emergency Fund. With all the curves that are thrown at these types of events, I think David did a fantastic job and deserves a round of applause.



Emerson, Lupe, and Vern having a merry ole time at the SF Eagle's Xmas party. Photo by B.J.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wednesday, Jan. 13: The Ms. Pit Contest at Cocktails on 9th and Howard starts at 8 pm. Lupe Rosenbaum will produce yet another fundraiser for Women Embracing Life, a women's HIV support group here in San Francisco. The winner will represent The Pit in the Ms. SF Leather Contest. There will be entertainment for everyone and prizes for the winner. Applications will be available the night of the contest.

Saturday, Jan. 16: "The Shirt Off Your Back" auction will be held at the Santa Rosa Inn from 2-7 pm. Terry Foster (Ms. Russian River Leather '92) and Donna Shrout (Ms. Northern Calif. Leather '92) will auction articles of leather, clothing, etc. right off their backs.

Saturday, Jan. 23: The Ms. SF Leather '93 Contest titled, "Breaking With Tradition: A Leather Rage." This is just one of the many successful events that Audrey Joseph produces for our community. Fantasies and entertainment are planned to fill your evening, and considering the caliber of previous fantasies, you will not be disappointed. Applications are available by sending a request to Fantastic Realities Unlimited, 2261 Market St. #490, SF 94114, or call (415) 626-3556.

Also this same night is the Miss Central Valley Leather contest, starting at 8 pm; it will be held at the Metro Underground on Tuolumne and F St. in Fresno. This will be a drag contest and is only open to men dressed in women's leather outfits. Interesting concept, but I'm sure that it will all be in fun. Co-produced by the Yosemite chapter of Knights of Malta and Teddy Bear Productions. There will be entertainment and lots of glamour.

SOUTH BAY

Greg's Ball Room has a new leather night on Thursdays, with happy hour prices for those in leather. Videos, music and men are yours for the taking at Greg's on the corner of Julian & Montgomery in San Jose. See you there!!! ✿

Pre-e-esenting... Great Buns '93 Calendar Fundraiser for Godfather Service Fund

by Tom W. Kelly

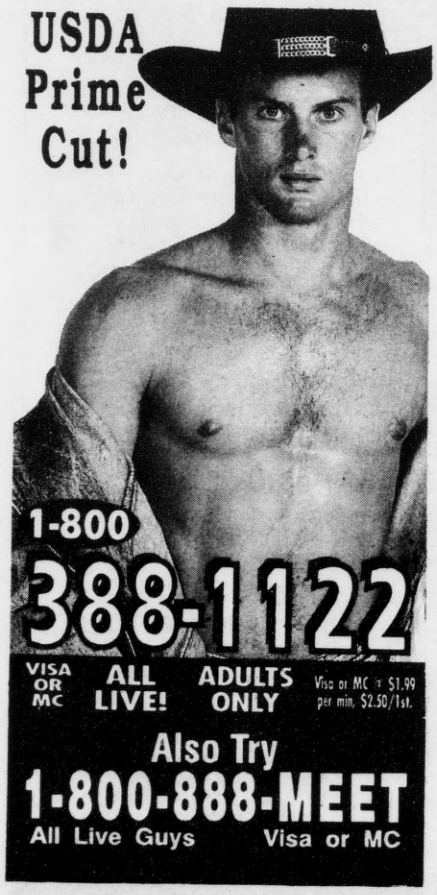
Announcing the release of the Great Buns '93 Calendar! More than just a collection of rear-view photography (though it is that, too, I suppose), it's also a fundraising effort to benefit the Godfather Service Fund. (I can't help but shudder at the maniacal memories of the night when I participated in one of the selection competitions and somehow only won second place!)

In the '40s and '50s, calendars packed full of sexy photos of pinup girls adorned lockers and sometimes entire walls in heterosexual male-dominated workplaces. Gorgeous gams, come-fuck-me pumps and various levels of (un)dress on barely blushing buxom babes. But this is the '90s, and oh, the times they are a-changin'.

Leave it to the ever-resourceful San Francisco gay community to turn the tables, producing calendars that now feature month-to-month mounds of musclebound man-flesh that just so happen to be lucrative fundraisers for AIDS charities. In 1984, the South of Market Bare Chest Calendar began in an effort to garner money for the AIDS Emergency Fund. Humpy hunks proudly pumped and paraded their princely pectorals. Profits started small, but grew quickly. By 1990 proceeds reached $16,000!

Well, 1993 heralds the appearance of the Great Buns '93 Calendar: a tribute to a bounty of beautiful, bare boy buns benefitting the Godfather Service Fund. Vern Stewart, promotions and special events coordinator for the Watering Hole Saloon, as well as the man behind all these bare buns, has worked like a maniac to make the calendar a reality. "They're almost all outdoor shots," Stewart offers, "All over the Bay Area." I couldn't help but wonder how many picnicking families, sightseeing tourists and/or plucky Boy Scout troops must have tripped across these photo shoots. "I've been holding my breath in anticipation. But now that they're done, I'm real pleased with how they look," Stewart says. Bay Area resident Bob Drapeau donated his time and expertise as photographer.

While chatting with Stewart, he couldn't resist reminding me of that saturnalian evening in early September. He was there. He remembers. I





James Castle as "Mr. January" in the Great Buns Calendar 1993. Photo by Bob Drapeau

think I'm getting a bad reputation. But(t) back to the calendar...

"The Godfather Service Fund," Alan Alonyi, the GSF chairman, explains, "was established in 1984, and provides personal care items to patients checking into the hospital for HIV-related illnesses." Among the goodies/necessities the volunteers deliver are: terry cloth bathrobes, fleece-lined slippers, shampoo, toothbrushes and paste, shaving cream and razors, hand and body lotion, etc., as well as their signature—teddy bears. "In 1992 we helped about 100 people a month. And last Easter Sunday regular volunteers as well as members of the Gay Softball League and South of Market leather titleholders distributed about 600 Easter baskets!"

To continue providing this needed moral support, the GSF requires some financial support. Alonyi adds, "Just when you think your [financial] resources have all dried up, something always comes through! We're so grateful to the generosity of the community." Regular contributions have been made by Levi Strauss, Nordstrom, the Gap, S.F. Coits and many individual Castro Street merchants. This year the San Francisco Gay Bingo has donated 25 percent of its earnings.

So come on! Consider purchasing 12 hotter-than-hot photos that also happen to have a calendar attached. Sadly, my gorgeous gluteals will not appear—this time. And even if the year's started, there's something timeless and always timely about a great pair of buns. And remember, aside from being a feast for the eyes, it's for a good cause—the Godfather Service Fund.

Peruse and/or purchase a calendar at the Watering Hole Saloon at 1145 Folsom St., (415) 864-0309. Also available at: Under One Roof at 2362 Market St., where many AIDS/HIV-related agencies benefit from the sale of just about everything—potholders, quilts, teddy bears, T-shirts, and more; Mercury Mail Order, 4084 18th St. near Castro; and on weekends at the corner of 18th Street and Castro.

To order a Great Buns Contest '93 Calendar by mail, send $12 (plus $1 shipping) to Watering Hole Saloon, Attn: Vern Stewart, 1145 Folsom St., SF 94103. Make checks payable to "Watering Hole Saloon."

Volunteers are currently needed for the Godfather Service Fund. Those interested, contact Bob Docca at (415) 775-4036. ✿

Write...

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commune with my narcissism. How could I be more spiritual?

(6) I get Live 105 on my radio. Not that it matters; the alternative-music station hasn't been interesting in five years. But it's the principle of the thing. Out in the Haight, I couldn't receive *any* goddamned stations, thanks to that steel-and-mesh monster of God-knows-what-kind-of-spy-technology, Sutro Tower. Now I'm in the free zone: I can listen to DJs with fake English accents back-announcing cuts from the heinous new Morrissey CD. Pig heaven, babe.

(7) I live a scant three blocks from my friend Midge. S/he and I have decided we're going to erect a white picket fence at 17th and Church. There we'll meet every morning, dressed in our tennis blouses and skirts and shoes with the little tassely socks, with cocktails and Head (get it?) rackets in hand. We'll gossip about all our friends, scream at all our neighbors, then pile into Midge's MGB and head off to the club, where we'll have an affair with the tennis pro.

Well, a girl can dream, can't she?

SHE IS HEIDI, CLONK-CLONK

Point is, now I live near my friends. I can walk to their houses, and vice versa. I've always wanted that kind of neighborhood feel. I feel like I've moved to a little village. I think I'll be happy here. Either that, or by next week you'll see me prancing up Market Street wearing a too-too-tight T-shirt, too-too-short striped spandex shorts, fluffy white socks, Doc Marten boots, two heavy gold hoop earrings and a greased Caesar hairdo.

If that happens, you have my permission to revoke my Queer Card. ✿

Briefs...

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dan issued an official "Ruth Brinker Day" proclamation, and more than 40 Bay Area businesses attended the luncheon.

• Lambda Book Report has opened nominations for the Fifth Annual Lambda Literary Awards, also known as the Lammys, which recognize excellence in gay and lesbian writing and publishing. The awards will be presented at a gala banquet in Miami, Fla., on May 28, during the American Booksellers Association Convention. For more info, contact Lambda Book Report, 1625 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, D.C., 20009-1013, (202) 462-7924.

• Positive Resource, a job referral agency for people with HIV and AIDS, is the recipient of a Community Development Block Grant for $20,000 to help fund its first paid position, that of a project coordinator. The organization also received a $1,250 grant from Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights to produce a quarterly newsletter. Other groups receiving BAPHR grants include Larkin St. Youth Center's Hustler Support Group, the Women's Cancer Resource Center, Men Overcoming Violence's outreach effort on gay domestic violence, Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services and SF Suicide Prevention's HIV services in Spanish.

• Swarthmore College, located just outside Philadelphia, is extending domestic partners benefits to staff and faculty. President Alfred H. Bloom says the move is designed to "create a more just community that welcomes all on equal terms." The college also permits gay/lesbian/bisexual alumni to include their partners in college alumni records.

• Another institution of higher learning will also extend domestic partners benefits to faculty, staff and students: the University of Chicago, starting Feb. 1. Is this a new trend?

• Five nonprofit organizations providing services to people with HIV and AIDS received contributions ranging from $500 to $1,500 from sale proceeds from the 1993 AIDS Benefit Calendar. The calendar is available at Under One Roof, 2362 Market St., in the Castro.

• The Gay Rescue Mission was the recent beneficiary of a three-day Holiday Clothing Drive at the Pendulum Bar, 18th near Collingwood, sponsored by Eric Payne, Mr. Pendulum Leather 1992.

• A memorial service was held on Dec. 28 in Abilene, Texas, for Rev. J. Robert Williams, the first openly gay minister ordained in the Episcopal Church, who died of AIDS-related causes on Xmas Eve. He was 37.

• We Understand Why Dept.: Queer students at the newly formed Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Association at the University of Idaho are afraid to come out of the closet. "There is genuine concern as far as gay-bashing," said Eric, a student who refused to give his last name.

• Six complaints have been filed under the state of Vermont's new gay rights law. "I definitely am convinced of its need," said Robert Appel, assistant attorney general in the civil rights division. The law took effect on July 1.

• In New Jersey, Darryl Davis, 30, was sentenced on Xmas Eve to life in prison for the slaying of Gamal Sledge, a former Mercer County prosecutor who was not out of the closet. One coworker said that people in the office were "shocked" to learn of Sledge's "secret life," which apparently included crossdressing and picking up men on the streets.

• All is not harmonious in the school districts of New York. A community school board in the Bronx and one in Queens say that they won't accept Schools Chancellor Joseph Fernandez's multicultural Rainbow Curriculum, which includes gay-positive material. Fernandez and the school boards are not even close to a settlement.

Also contributing to this report were the Associated Press and Equal Time. ✿

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Dance With Me
Beautiful WF, 31, seeks energetic girlfriend(s) to dress up and go out dancing, wining and dining, etc. I like most types of music, except nonstop "club" music gives me a headache. Age, looks, sexual preference unimportant as long as you have no major hangups and are of open mind and heart. I detest labels but if you must, you can call me bi, feminine, 5'2", artsy, brainy and honest. Please no drugs, teetotalers, smokers, games or therapy sessions. And no strings—but anything can happen, so who knows? Friendship always welcome; more if chemistry is right. I live in Sonoma County; can travel to Marin, SF, East Bay or beyond if my interest is piqued. Reply BT Box DC1C.

Champagne
And a little Suzanne Ciani (music by). I'd like a little romance with a lesbian, over 35, intelligent & humorous, with varied interests (just like me!). I'm not going to list everything I like or don't like, otherwise what's the point of going out? However, I will tell you I don't like films with subtitles or bowling and I can occasionally be cynical or acerbic. "But I'm good enough, I'm smart enough, and doggone it people like me!" So call ★★3111.

If
"I'm not the woman in red, I'm not the girl next door. If something in the middle's what you're lookin' for, I'm that kinda girl." Looking for your kind of girl if you love to love, talk, hug, dance, hike, laugh and believe lovers should be friends first. I'm a 40ish, tall, slender, feminine, athletic professional hoping you're proud of your feminine and strong sides, and into keeping healthy and sane. 35-45, No. Bay preferred. PO Box 181, Vineburg, CA 95487 or call ★★3112.

The worst of it
is that I take books to the dinner table and hustle literary theory, have been seen dressed like Laura Petrie gone amiss in Bohemia, can't resist for long making a wry or oblique remark, insist on great food but have been known to eat a stack of Hydrox after macaroni and cheese with sauteed weenie slices, indulge in excessive hygiene, free-associate after sex, read trash or the NYRB slowly in the bath, miss people I never knew such as Shaw Wilde Stein Nabokov Rosselini Magnani, subdue society by savoring the symphony, eschew pretense, cliches and indifference but above all moonlit walks on the beach, dream of a woman with a sublime mind, steady demeanor and reason. (And once murmured the name Sally to a Mary.) Reply BT Box DC2C or call ★★3113.

Interested in dating and getting to know someone who is compassionately assertive and can find the humor in different kinds of situations, who has a spiritual practice, is generous of spirit, and enjoys their own life and friends. I'm 44, live in the East Bay and wish to meet someone who does not smoke or use. Movies, walks, dance, theater, are some of the things I enjoy. Call ★★3114.

I Wanna Be A Lesbian!
Again! After 2 years of celibacy, I'm sure my lesbian membership card has expired! About me: mid-30s, full of fun, attractive, intelligent, sense of humor, passionate, not very athletic, but I express myself through music and art. About you: honest, expressive, available, don't smoke, and do live in SF. About us: You never know unless you call. Reply BT Box DC3C or call ★★3115.

Holiday Delight!
The green pieces of paper and metal discs spent to satisfy your emptiness will never stack up to the integrity inherent in the company of one who pays attention. Spiritual, 30 y.o., seeks nonsmoking SF resident who knows what she wants—in life and in bed. If you too say yes to meaningful conversation sprinkled with sustained, impassioned kisses, the gift of the season is upon you. Reply BT Box DC4C or call ★★3116.

Fuckbuddies Club
Looking to gather a group of women for the fuckbuddies club. Here's the parameters I have in mind: safe sex positive, not looking for marriage or any variation thereof, maintaining a loose group dynamic, not too restrictive on the personal habits. We will coordinate "field trips" to the Ecstasy Lounge/Bedrock or do erotic monthly rituals of our own design and work on developing a network of dykes who cater to each other's erotic fantasies. Open to S/M, but not exclusive. Come on out of the woodwork, girls. This is a sexual revolution. Reply BT Box DC5C or call ★★3117.

Cherchez La Femme
Vous: curvaceous to fat, self-loving, brown or Mediterranean femme fatale, unique blend of humor, finesse and untamed sensuality, surrendering to—Moi: 40ish, multi-faceted, seductive, European femidyke, weakness for lesbiterian cartoons, Gaudi, neurotic cats, world sounds, reptiles, long, passionate kissing... Indulge most scandalous fantasies (unusual requests welcome). No boozers/druggies, but polifidelity addicts strongly encouraged to apply. Dare, surprise me, might just French you, grand safe style. Reply BT Box DC6C or call ★★3118.

Dial "M"... For Marriage?
Very attractive, incredibly warm and playful femme in her early 30s desires woman of similar qualities, 25-37 years young. Longing to create a relationship that is deeply romantic and everlasting. A femme fatale I'm not, and like the proverbial robin feathering her nest, I too am handy with tools... in every room. If you are actively involved in life, work, etc., and love it, let's try it! Call ★★3119.

Chance It
I would like to plant the kiss of happily ever after on your soft, feminine lips. Call me and let's build a universe as we grow close emotionally and physically. No head games. Searching for honest love, long-term. Call ★★3120.

Head Turner
Very attractive, creative, sexy GWF looking for same. Are you self-assured, employed, hot in the boudoir? I'm that fine line between feminine and androgynous. I have explored both sides & am comfortable with myself. Jewish and Italian women really spark my interest. Are you adventurous? Call me. Call ★★3121.

Birthday Girl
Reaching my prime, looking for girlfriend for possible LTR. Open to more casual connections, if it feels right. I am 35, pretty, femme, stylish, progressive, intelligent, spiritual, honest, monogamous. I am looking for a smart, funny, honest, stable, mature, definitely over her ex, attractive, sexually adventurous, sober, petite to average size fit woman. If you consider yourself a good catch, consider me, I am one too! Call ★★3122.

Heart Harvest
Single Aquarian, 35, seeks unfettered female for exclusive but independent steady-rock-steady. Need the mutual chemistry with someone who enjoys the nuances of life and love. Desire well-educated, well-bred, nonpretentious, spiritual (not flaky), balanced woman with a high tolerance for self-honesty. Interests: education, movies, cats, children, current events, astrology, writing, music, humor, charm, depth, subtle perceptions, tennis, sensuality. Reply BT Box DC7C or call ★★3123.

My Heart Is Open...
To someone who can communicate and is supportive, sincere, understanding & has a variety of interests: movies, books, spirituality, theater, skiing (downhill and x-country), hiking, camping and traveling. I am attractive, athletic, a professional. You are 38+ and... Call ★★3124.

Long Neck, Fair-Skinned
Attractive, tall, slender, 44 years old. Quiet, casually elegant, sophisticated, entrepreneur, lover of beauty, art, detail. I would like to meet a beautiful and loving butch woman who is impeccably groomed, loves clothes, good food, lives a healthy lifestyle, loves animals, is independent, who is emotionally and financially stable. Please be someone who doesn't jump into bed right away, and who doesn't jump from one relationship to the next. Photo appreciated. East Bay. Reply BT Box DC8C.

True Companion
Dame Edna, Cowboy Junkies, 10,000 Maniacs, Erasure, Simple Minds. I'm a music and nature lover with a variety of interests. I'm mid-40s, physically active, fit and attractive. I am honest, down-to-earth, passionate and sincere. You are between 38-48, also attractive. You have an intact sense of humor and an ability to laugh at yourself. You are unpretentious, compassionate, warm and forgiving. You are not looking for perfection, a clone, or the embodiment of political correctness. You're also not adverse to sweating, getting your hands dirty, or showing your vulnerability. My hope is to find a true companion. Intimacy, openness, lots of laughs and good sex a must. No smokers or heavy-duty butch types. Reply Boxholder, PO Box 31956, Oakland 94604 or call ★★3125.

A Few Good Lesbians
Fit and quasi-cute 42 y.o. in denial about butchness seeking date possibilities with handsome femmes or comely androgynous women. (OK, so I'm shallow!) Passionate about gardens, interior design, dancing, museums, animals, Jeopardy and sex. Dislike synchronized swimming, racists, cigarettes, identically dressed couples and Republicans. Stability, humor, respect and the ability to enjoy life are prerequisites. Reply BT Box DC9C or call ★★3126.

Sober Dyke
I relate best to girls who can hold a conversation without having to hold her booze. You must be communicative, monogamous-minded, 23-35, cute, boyish looks get my attention. Sexually aggressive. Into the safe sex scene/toys and willing to explore more. Me: 25, physically fit, non-PC type, tattooed, not into the attitude scene. I am cute, not a goddess. Serious single lesbians only please. Call ★★3127.

Ravishing Novice
Very curious, pretty, Eurasian woman, 29, looking to connect with a hot, attractive, self-assured woman of experience. I'm feminine, slender, 5'2", 100 lbs., silky dark hair, olive skin and almond eyes. I want you to be playful, adventurous and imaginative. I've never done this before but I promise I won't be shy. Reply BT Box DC10C or call ★★3128.

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Big And Tall
Non fu-fu femme, 31, brown eyes, brown hair, 5'9" and fluffy not stuffy. Attractive, active, enjoy my animals, walks on the beach, dancing, cooking, etc.... Oh, of course, lots of romance. I am spiritual and open. I am seeking a partner that is strong yet sensitive and has "old fashioned" values but has modern and progressive views. Honest, stable and a desire to build up to a healthy relationship. Call ★★3130.

Must Be Femme Identified
Sincere, loving, butch top seeks warm, loving femme for friendship leading to monogamous relationship. Please be all femme with no doubts, no this or that of center, no ifs, ands or buts. I enjoy the usual things: art, music, movies, theater, good food, walks, the ocean, the mountains and long for that one femme to share the ups & downs, the laughter, love & passion with. Call ★★3131.

The Gifts Of Friends And Lovers...
You can't buy them at Macy's or wrap them in fancy paper, for any amount of money, yet open eyes, minds and hearts will always find them. Energetic, sports-minded GWF, 37, with penchant for puns, the outdoors, cultural & science exhibits, photography, massage, singing and comedy, looking first to meet good friends, whatever more by chemistry and time. I'm 5'8", stocky and athletic, a mischievous soft butch Virgo, ride a motorcycle and even wear a dress on occasion. Do you play golf, softball, tennis, swim or like camping? 28-38, outgoing, independent, athletic woman with sense of humor esp. encouraged to reply. Reply BT Box DC11C or call ★★3132.

New Year? New Adventure!
Fun-loving, pleasure-seeking, humor-possessed, 31 y.o. soft butch dyke looking to meet new friends who enjoy a variety of interests to keep their souls satiated. An afternoon at Osento or hiking Mt. Tam; the Exploratorium to Chinatown; experimental theater to the symphony; shopping the Castro to cruising the Ecstasy Lounge. Can anyone have too many friends or too much fun? Let's find out! Reply BT Box DC12C or call ★★3133.

Ponder On This
Can it be true that walks on the beach and long wet kisses sustain you, or are they distractions from painful emptiness? Perhaps you ask too little of life—I do not. Spiritual 30 y.o. desires clarity & integrity with NS SF resident whose confidence rests in knowing she does not know and a certainty in being physically and mentally satisfied as often as she seeks. Reply BT Box DC13C or call ★★3134.

I'm A Simple Soul
I'm easy. Simple. My interests: biking, hiking, working out at a gym, personal growth, recovery issues. I'm looking for weekend fun, dates, companionship—nothing elaborate: movies, dinner, talk, walk—with someone stable, 35-45, who doesn't use nicotine. I'm open to most types and a strong butch woman makes my heart race. Not looking for a quick commitment. I'll do my best to answer all responses. Call ★★3135.

Happa Girl Seeks Girlfriend
Loving, pretty, silly (yet sharp & opinionated), bi, Happa (Asian/white), Virgo, 30, seeks similar, any ethnicity, 25-38. You share some of my interests: dancing, progressive politics (important), creative, funky, expressive clothes, some creativity (writing, beadwork, etc.). I'm "feminine," have long hair, small body; prefer nonsmoking (important), single, "feminine" (very loosely speaking) women. You value clear communication, return phone calls. PO Box 3303, Oakland 94609 or call ★★3136.

I Love Fragrant And Old Roses!
Do you, too? I would enjoy getting together with other women & men to talk roses, see gardens, go to nurseries, share cuttings, take bouquets to our sisters & brothers who are ill & in need of the beauty of roses. Call ★★3137 or write PO Box 212, Pt. Richmond 94807-0212; for the love of roses! Maybe clematis, too!

Sonoma County Playmate
You're healthy, attractive, 28-40, slim to medium, center to femme, affectionate, open, honest, articulate, spiritually aware, enjoy life, frequent lovemaking, good food, an off-the-wall sense of humor and spontaneous activities. I'm 35, 5'7", brown hair/eyes and all of the above. No smoking, drugs or self-awareness junkies, light alcohol OK. Tired of women with "intimacy issues." Seeking fun and romance, LTR? Call ★★3138.

Shalom!
I am a very "femme" Jewish lesbian in my mid-20s. Like myself, you are educated and career-oriented. I am looking for a woman, 25-35, to share Saturday Night Live, Woody Allen movies, reggae, comedy clubs and a passion for Israel. You are a handsome woman (not butch!)

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Mermaid Seeks Pirate Playmate
For dates, friendship, possible relationships. Have shed my scales, have cut my hair. I am cute, 5'10", on the femme side, into writing, biking, dancing, swimming, art, occasional playful games, Thai food and good pizza. I prefer soft butch women, possibly on the athletic side, who share some of the interests above. Please be 25-35, fun, sincere. Please no smokers, heavy drinkers. Call ★★3141.

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BISEXUAL

Handsome, Fun And A Good Heart
Single, professional BiWM, 40, 6 ft., 175#, HIV-, enjoys CW dancing, cinema, cooking, horseback riding, outdoor activities, gardening, friends, stimulating conversation. Seeks dynamic, honest and affectionate female (30-45) for friendship and possible long-term relationship. Reply BT Box DC300C or call ★★3173.

I crave emotional intimacy with depth. That which fueled past hedonistic desperation has become wise compassion. Youthful 39, funny, multicultured, bi Black man, good-bodied, battle weary social worker/artist seeks bi woman who has retained/regained the sweetness of her heart for romance, kindness, the arts... the world... and, uh, possibly making groceries with. Age? I dunno... 18-43? But no "princesses" or honesty phobes. This rare ally will make you laugh, moan... or cry with you:.. stand strong beside you, appreciate your assets, wisely understand your distresses. I'm good, baby. PO Box 8113, Oakland 94662 or call ★★3174.

Creative Stud
GWM, 30s, 5'8", 150#, very attractive, muscular, with 42" chest, 29" waist, cleanshaven, HIV- seeks attractive, in-shape, bisexual couples under 45 to entertain creatively. All degrees of participation discussed. Discretion assured. Send a description, phone & if possible a photo (returned). Reply BT Box DC301C.

Bi, Bi, Baby
Masculine, bearded, sports-minded, outdoorsman, divorced bi looking for divorced or married bi men to form small group in South Bay for meaningful get-togethers. Facial photo and phone to PO Box 722, Campbell 95009 or call ★★3175.

BiWM Seeks Female
I'm 38 y.o., HIV-, play safe and live in SF. I've been gay for 10 yrs. and I'm interested in having women in my life again. My problem is that I feel attracted to both genders and I don't know how to make that work. Perhaps we could discuss the possibilities of this orientation. Call ★★3176.

Kinky Sex
I've decided that 1993 is the year for fantasy fulfillment. I'm a good-looking 34-year-old North Bay male. I want to try a threesome with any combination of men and women. I'm very oral and a bit submissive. Open to all couples and singles that are healthy and clean. What kind of fantasies can I help you fulfill. Let's have some safe, fun and kinky sex. Reply BT Box DC302C or call ★★3177.

Slave Needs Owner
SWM, 33, bi curious, seeks dominant womyn or couple to take control of me. Use me for your amusement and pleasure. Experience as house/yard slave, cook, masseur & toy. Enjoy both psychological & physical surrender to you. I am both truly submissive and masochistic. Limits offered to your command. Humiliation, watersports, x dress, torture. Please! PO Box 11330, Oakland 94611 or call ★★3178.

Please Try Again If You Answered: "(Non-Vanilla) Life Begins At 40"
In the Dec. 3 issue. (Nazi stormtroopers stole your messages!) Bisexual man, 40, switchable (I think), novice (I know), seeks similar (or disparate) damsel (distress optional) for doing wild things. I'm tall, pseudo-svelte, have a short beard, (gorgeous) long blond hair and (brilliant) blue eyes. Critical thinking, compassion, loquacity, psychological sophistication, humor & irony are major aphrodisiacs. Lite psychobabble okay. If you count Emma Goldman among your heroines (and are taller) (and like parentheses) call ★★3179.

If Sweet Dreams Are Made Of These—
Kissing your lover in unexpected places. Savoring the flavors of life in the city. Sharing trust and love and enriching our lives with conversations from the heart. Then sweeter dreams are these in threes. Can you see yourself with another woman and a man; three lovers sharing an equal love? Please call ★★3180.

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Attractive Blond Transsexual
Seeks a very active, sensuous, passionate, kissing, single, 35-46 WM; that slim, hairy, stable, professional, working, clean-cut WM, who likes a lot of romantic cocktails for two, holiday parties, outings, travel, movies, possible long-term, ongoing friendship/companion. Call ★★3191.

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SHARED INTEREST

Please Note
The Shared Interest ads are a part of the Personals and as such are for individuals seeking other individuals with common personal interests. They are not for the purpose of forming professional connections. If you are looking for business partners, clients or work-trade arrangements, or if you are forming a professional organization, please use the Open Exchange classified ads. Thanks.

Sailing Friends
PLWA wants to meet others for mid-week sailing. I have 29' cascade cruising sloop, "Sangoma," berthed at South Beach marina. Advanced sailors I can learn more skills from, or if interested but feel rusty on your skills—welcome. Not interested in racing. All others, including PLWAs and physically challenged women, men and young people of all ages, welcome. Relaxing, fun, supportive sailing is what I enjoy. Call ★★3201.

Men's Food Group
I'm interested in starting a men's support group around compulsive overeating. If interested, please leave message. Use first name only for confidentiality purposes. Call ★★3202.

Fishing Partner Wanted
GBM, 31, seeks fishing partner. I am just learning the art of fishing and am looking for someone who knows how to fish and patient enough to teach me. Let's talk, get to know one another, become friends and go fishing. If you're a beginner like me, we can learn together. Reply BT Box DC600C or call ★★3203.

Motorcycle Mama
WF, 30, seeks irreverent, spontaneous, good-natured companions for motorcycle road tripping. Back roads, boonies, camping, cheap eats, seedy bars and grimy faces with big grins are us. Call ★★3204.

Prospective Queer Parents
Do you want to be one? We are a community group that meets on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 11:30 am for a potluck & discussion about lesbians & gay men co-parenting together or known donor situations. If you are looking for a co-parent or just looking for support—come & eat with us. Call ★★3205.

Heart And Spirit
A leaderless group for processing feelings, meditations and ritual. To bridge the external and internal transitions in our lives. For women 35 and over who have therapy experience and are comfortable with their own spiritual practice. Meet in SF. Call ★★3206.

New Year's Resolution
Gay male looking for folks interested in meeting weekly to support one another in exploring eating, exercise and healthy lifestyle changes based on the Endocrine Control Diet. No fees or professional organizations involved—just individuals with a sincere desire to make this year's resolution a successful one! PO Box 1402, SF 94114 or call ★★3207.

Lesbian Writers
Established group seeks new members. Submissions requested. Reply BT Box DC601C or call ★★3208.

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MEN

Bright Eyes Seeks Asian
Are you a slim, cleanshaven GAM (under 45) who is (as I am) loving, kind, caring, sincere, honest, healthy? If so, this GWM, 6', 180#, 30s, pleasant-looking, hazel eyes, soft brown hair, is seeking you for friendship, companionship, hopefully more. I currently live in Virginia. But please don't let that stop you as I would gladly relocate for the right person. I'm a nice person with a good heart, so why don't we get to know each other? Call ★★3226.

Ain't Gonna Work
On Maggie's farm no more. 15 years was plenty, now I want to go back to having fun, looking for soulmates, pals to travel, camp, party and play with. I'm 43, 5'9", 150ish, HIV+, good-looking, cleanshaven, energetic, irreverent, adventurous and a triple Gemini. Love art, rock 'n roll, the cool and the eclectic; dislike disco, bars, clones, stale scenes. I like rebels, punks, artists, outsiders; don't care about your money, muscle or dick status. Just be sorta like me physically, maybe younger, and a lot like me mentally. This is more about soul than sex. AIDS/ARC OK. Call ★★3227.

Slim Chinese Or Viet. Wanted
Warmhearted GWM, youthful 43, 6'2", 172 lbs., trim, cleanshaven, blue eyes, HIV-, counselor, seeks slim to skinny Asian, 20-33, for brother, boyfriend or lover. Prefer warmhearted nonsmoker, who exercises some and doesn't like bars. I'm affectionate and caring. Let me buy you lunch. Friendship first. PO Box 210202, SF 94121.

Looking For Chubby Buddy
I'm 46, beefy bear, bottom, masculine and sincere. Looking to meet shorter, younger, chubby guy for friendship and more. Let's meet for coffee and talk. I live in SF. Send photo to Box 291, Daly City 94016 or call ★★3228.

Sex Is Nothing
For me, sex without intimacy and affection is nothing. I'm a financially secure GWM. I'm a well-known composer/record producer/studio owner. I have a handsome face and a beautiful swimmer's body. I'm a nonsmoker, non-drinker and I'm HIV-. I'm 43, but people think I'm 35. I'm educated and I love the world of ideas and literature. I enjoy conversation, humor, nature, exercise, friends and silliness. I'm optimistic—I believe people are basically good. I believe we're on this earth to learn and grow and help others. I also believe that relationships are one of the best things life has to offer, but like most good things, they take a lot of work. Are you Asian, mid-20s to mid-30s, physically fit, playful and affectionate, passionate about life and career? Do you share my basic beliefs and some of my interests? If so, let's exchange photos.... Reply BT Box DC70C or call ★★3229.

Slim
Physically fit, HIV-, outdoor, masc. guy, young 50s, would enjoy similar outdoor guy for weekends, cycling, hiking, exploring SF and Bay Area. Then dinner, glass of wine, massage after. Open to other weekend activities too. Not over the hill yet. Are you? Call me. Call ★★3230.

Running Alone
GWM, 33, HIV-, intimate, committed, professional, seeks a "relationship-oriented" counterpart, 25-40, to share quiet nights at home, fine dining, conversation and spontaneous recreation. Reply BT Box DC71C or call ★★3231.

Man For All Seasons
The men who tried to reach me, please try again. I was away for eight weeks longer than anticipated. Very good-looking, masculine, bl/bl, 6'1", 180#, athletic, 31, outdoor enthusiast. Looking for dating/relationship with man, 35-45, who's solid, masculine & comfortable with self & top oriented. Interests: ocean, walks, mountains, 4x4 extended weekends, snow, kink, scuba, cooking, hot sex, clouds, evenings at home, cycling, arts, w/o, rain, cuddling, horses, trust, lakes, HIV+, partnership, ranch, imagination, stars, optimism, city, romance, honesty. Lost life partner of ten years. Ready to share again. Photo pls (will return) to: M.S., PO Box 460921, SF 94146-0921 or call ★★3232.

Rock Star
White skin on this 25 y.o. dude from Ohio. Been here a few years but have yet to meet dream stud. Interests include dirt bikes, muscle cars, rock music, working out, movies. I am laid back, on the shy side (initially), sexually versatile. I have brown hair, hazel eyes, 149 gym-toned lbs., 5'10", NS, ND, HIV-. Would like to meet and/or correspond with 18-28 y.o. guys for friendship and/or relationship. Send photo and descriptive letter and I'll reply with same. Boxholder, 2300 Market St., Box 89, SF 94114.

Marry Me
Athletic, mid-40s GWM seeks to wed and bed with an energetic younger man. I'm 6', 165#, HIV-, balding, confident, good company, mostly top; professional; many interests. Traditional values & experience in keeping commitments once made are important. You are also employed, HIV-, NS/ND. Butch athletes a+. Write PO Box 9056, Berkeley 94709 or call ★★3233.

Asian Aroused
And looking for landing. Seeking traditional family values: intimacy, sharing and long-term compatibility. Adventurous, intellectual, masculine yet sensitive describe me. Handsome and fit, 5'6", 128 lbs., early 30s. Would like to meet sweet and cute guy or compatible equal near my age or younger. Race unimportant. 5214-F Diamond Hts Blvd., Box 812, SF 94131.

Who Put The "Stud" In "Studious"?
Intelligent, articulate GWM with glasses is also a passionate, versatile Italian (HIV+) with a big... libido. Attractive, boyish, trim, short (5'5"), brn/brn, mid-30s. Terrific sense of humor, dog owner/lover, real nice guy. Love popular music (Louis Jordan, June Tabor, Sondheim), movies, dining out, but most of all staying in, talking, laughing and making love with a special person. Open to whatever, though I have lots to offer, emotionally and physically, to the right person, and I'll run this ad till I find him. You: mature, but fun-loving GWM in good shape, late 20s-early 40s, no drugs. Call ★★3234.

Fresh Meat
New to the city. Handsome GWM, 24, 6'1", 180 lbs., HIV-, dark hair/eyes. Intelligent, alternative, well-traveled photographer seeks sexy, in-shape, leather daddy/top, 27-45, with a dry sense of humor and a fuzzy chest. I'm looking for a potential relationship not a casual sex partner. If you're a romantic at heart, enjoy the finer things in life, like animals and have the patience for a bossy bottom, send me a letter with photo or call. Moustaches, tattoos and piercings a plus. Reply BT Box DC72C or call ★★3235.

It Shouldn't Be This Hard
To meet the right man. Like me, you should be affectionate, understanding, sensual, have a good sense of humor, like modern rock, be health-conscious, financially responsible, honest, sexy and enjoy cuddling. I'm a mid-Peninsula gay white male, 37, 6', 165#, brown/blue, HIV-, with a trim beard. Capable of standing alone, yet desiring a caring, loving relationship with that special masculine man. You will be: nonsmoker, no drugs, light drinker, mid-30s-40s and teddy bearish. I have a wicked sense of humor, an infectious smile and want to create tomorrow's good memories today. Reply BT Box DC73C or call ★★3236.

Spanking And Friendship
Warmhearted GWM, young for 43, 6'2", 172 lbs., fairly smooth, trim, HIV-, seeks younger brother (18-35) or older stepdad (or priest?). Best if brother is rather slim; can be bottom, top, just one or both. Best if stepdad is older, caring, strict, top spanker with strong hand, strap. Safe, limits respected. Enjoy massage, not seeking sex in this context. PO Box 14794, SF 94114.

Dear Asian
I want you! For some reason my preference is for Asians and I'm happy it is. I am Caucasian male, fair skin, 45, 5'10", 155 lbs., HIV- and in good health. I am educated and professional (if that matters), intelligent, sensitive and sensuous. I like outdoor activities (tennis, swimming together?) and indoor. I am looking for a relationship. If your motive is just curiosity, apply anyway. 537 Jones St., #8778, SF 94102 or call ★★3237.

A Lot Lost; A Lot Learned; A Lot Left
The epidemic has cost me a great deal: my cherished lover; many friends; the promise of a long life; grief, anxiety, sadness; and loss of some of the sense of lightness in life (Anyone still reading?). However, I still have a lot left: an active, ironic sense of humor; passion for many things/activities great and small (classical music, playing the piano, travel, Italy, Paris, literature, the arts, gardening, nature, men, sex); a good body (41 y.o., good-looking, HIV+, healthy, bl/brn/balding, moustache, 5'6", 140#, muscular/fit, other appealing physical characteristics); a deeply satisfying profession (psychologist); great family and friends; a comfortable home. I've survived so far sadder yet softer, somewhat heavier in tone yet deeper in purpose, less narcissistic/materialistic but more spiritual, more independent yet more conscious of our interdependence, stronger yet more flexible. I also still have the capacity for joy, playfulness and powerful sexual attractions. I'd like to meet reasonably fit and attractive men, approx. 37-47, HIV+ or -, psychologically minded and mature to see if some type of companionship might develop. Please write and include a photo. Reply BT Box DC74C.

Wanna Date?
Handsome GWM, hung (9"), successful, nice body, br/bl, 39 y.o., 5'11", 165#, HIV+, healthy, sincere guy. I like gardens, kids, laughing, honesty and maturity, good-looking guys and big dicks. You don't necessarily have to like gardens or kids. Wanna date? You are GWM and should also have some attributes, age approx. 32-42. Photo please (returnable). Reply BT Box DC75C or call ★★3238.

Librarian Wanted
I haven't dated in several years, but instead have pursued the many other avenues of my life. I sense that perhaps it's time to meet others on a deeper level and maybe allow someone special into my life. I am passionate about the connection with my friends, careful and protective of my heart and soul, articulate and aware, and I meet myself in music. I'm 45, fair-skinned, 6 feet, 170 lbs., moustache, blond hair, blue eyes and HIV-. You are a normal, fit, clean-cut, masculine man in your 30s, brunette (but not mandatory), and HIV-. Glasses, by the way, are a plus. You are caring and accepting with a passion for life and an excitement for the planet and all living things. Your beliefs need no explanation. You are boyish outwardly and spiritually courageous inwardly. If you sense a connection, let's talk. Call ★★3239.

Versatile
Masculine German GWM, 33, 5'11", 190 lbs., in good shape, dark brown short hair, brown eyes, very short beard, moustache, nonsmoker, drinks very little, traveling to the Bay Area twice a month, is looking for a GBM or GWM, age 28-40, over 160 lbs., dark hair, moustache or beard a must. Masculine only please. Interests: sex, talk, outdoors, nature, cuddling, good food, home. Reply BT Box DC76C.

Asian Romance
Attractive GAM, 43 y.o., HIV-, 5'6", slim, warm, caring, sensitive, with good heart, wishes to meet a mature GWM for possible relationship. Film, music, travel, walking, quiet times also enjoyed. No smoking, light drinking OK. Let's get together, ready for a long-term love. Photo appreciated/returned. Reply BT Box DC77C.

Haven't Given Up Yet
The search is for an African-American professional, top, 6' or less, 38-50, healthy, HIV+, who likes cuddling and intellectual stimulation, as well as good sex. You don't have to be a "star," "fit" or "very good-looking," but you must be a nice guy. I'm mid-30s, professional, olive complexion, some facial hair, big brown eyes, young at heart

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with an old soul, and kind of sexy. Nonsmokers only. Reply BT Box DC78C.

Cotton-Polyester Daddy

GWM, 51, tall, well-built, average looks (Capt. Picard type), professional, HIV-, "vanilla" (not into leather!), seeks younger (18-40) mate for intense monogamous, committed relationship. I'm warm, friendly; prefer intelligent, smooth, slim-to-muscular, butch men (any race) who are open, honest, good communicators. I'll help with school, etc., if needed. Detailed letter with photo and phone guarantees reply. Reply BT Box DC79C or call ★★3240.

Great Catch For GAM

GWM, European-born, intelligent, attractive, clean-cut, blue eyes, blond hair, healthy, HIV-, straight-acting (neither "Castro Clone" nor "sugar daddy"—don't worry!), likes talking and listening (from art, photography and music to multi-cultural politics and high-tech communication), cafes, shows, good food. I am sincere, but also very playful, can give and accept affection and more... If you are Asian (or Asian American, Eurasian, Amerasian, etc.) and if you are, similar to me, educated, good-looking, kind, honest, relatively tall, in your 20s, then let's give it a try: call or write to me soon—you won't be disappointed, OK? Reply BT Box DC80C or call ★★3241.

Hot, Hot Men!!!

You: GWM, 30-50, 'stache, med-big hairy chest, versatile, likes to kiss, cuddle. Me: GAM, 35, blk hair, greenish-blue eyes, 5'6", likes to cuddle, kiss, work out 4 days a week, versatile. Let's talk, meet and !!! Foto/fone to PO Box 8351, Santa Rosa 95407 or call ★★3242.

Executive Search

Tall, dark, 45, masculine, Latin, financial district executive. Live and play in the Marina. Seeking relationship with accomplished, independent, masculine man with following profile: practicing Catholic, fulfilled in chosen field, centered, gym-toned, HIV-, SF resident. You have compassion with a keen sense of intensity about life but with a strong dose of fun & curiosity. Reply BT Box DC81C.

One Good Man

Looking for my Asian/P.I. equal. This 5'11", blnd, blue, 33 y.o. GWM wonders where all the real men are. If you want to be proud of the man walking next to you, not in front of you; if you are over your last boyfriend and comfortable with your sexuality; easygoing with a good sense of humor and adventure, HIV-, 27 to 35 y.o., let's talk. Call ★★3243.

Athletic Body—Exuberant Spirit

Professional GWM, 6'2", blond hair, blue eyes, 180#, 30, optimistically and perhaps naively seeks mature, committed relationship. I'm spontaneous, intelligent, altruistic, creative and passionately addicted to humor, the stairmaster, beaches, great restaurants, mountain trails and long, romantic nights. You must be stable and energetic, as passionate about your spirituality as your libido, and able to care more about someone else than about yourself. You must also never take life too seriously. I want to hear from you. Reply BT Box DC82C or call ★★3244.

Do You Know Who Slim Keith Is?

Have you read Joseph Campbell? Do you own your own evening clothes and know not to call it a tuxedo? Are you preferably self-employed in a career that you love? Or better yet, have a passion for? Are you solvent? Are you patient? Are you dependable? What I'm looking for is someone who can answer "yes" to some of the above questions. You also have to be my age (35) or older, have a good sense of humor (bonus points for making me laugh in bed), and be quick to make a point. The ability to cook (or to afford one) is handy, as I am kitchen illiterate. Some sort of spiritual discipline (however it manifests itself) is also required. Spontaneity, and the ability to mix with all types of people is another plus. Excellent kissers are at the head of the line. What I'm not interested in is someone who is into drugs, alcohol, smoking or 12-step groups. I can't stand wannabes, and cannot abide people who are cheap, terminally late or who have no style. If you answer this ad, you can expect a short, white male, with brown hair and green eyes, average looks, and yards of style, who is very much like the above description. Reply BT Box DC83C or call ★★3245.

Looking For A Special Man

If you are a youthful, muscular & naturally dominant GWM, HIV-, and are serious about a possible longterm, monogamous relationship with a very attractive, high-quality GWM professional (5'10", 168#, muscular) then please get in touch. A great sense of humor and varied interests are definite pluses. Nonsmokers only, please. Call ★★3246.

My Spiritual Path?

Celebrating our gay lives together. Spirits embodied to experience romance, touch, intimacy, passion. We love simply, unconditionally, playfully; this joy centers our rich lives, radiating to family, career, friends. Mundane stuff: 6'1", br/bl, 225#, NS/ND/HIV-, 45 y.o., kids grown, career winding down. UB?? Fun stuff: semi-retired, country living, houseguests, travel, gardening, B&B getaways, growing old together, falling asleep in each other's arms. Photos exchanged. Box 4307, Napa 94558 or call ★★3247.

Big Bear Wanted

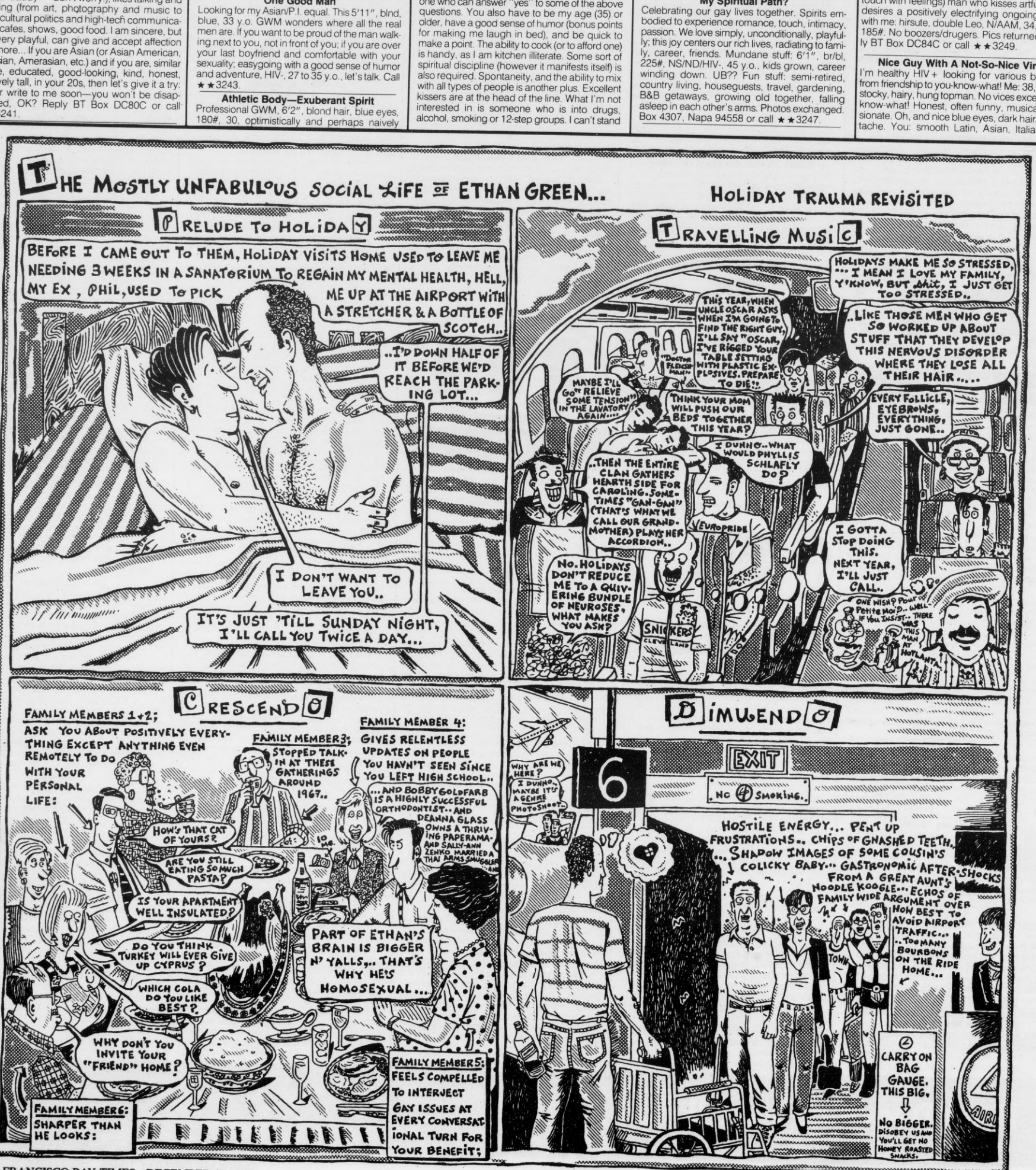
Whether you're husky, chubby or solid this 32, 5'11", 170#, hairy, long-haired, bearded health professional awaits. We both enjoy the outdoors, culture, the arts, travel, friends, adventure and are financially secure. Couch potatoes, homebodies and men not aware of the world around them don't interest me. Let's learn & grow together. Call ★★3248.

What About Us?

We're too good to be true and others are scared. Must be destiny for us to meet! We are striking, alluring cosmopolites who appreciate the exquisite. Versatile, we have naturally occurring grand bodies (esp. crotcheolas and legs). I seek to be united with a self-confident, communicative (in-touch with feelings) man who kisses artfully and desires a positively electrifying ongoing union with me: hirsute, double Leo, N/AAM, 34, 5'11", 185#. No boozers/drugers. Pics returned. Reply BT Box DC84C or call ★★3249.

Nice Guy With A Not-So-Nice Virus

I'm healthy HIV+ looking for various buddies from friendship to you-know-what! Me: 38, GWM, stocky, hairy, hung topman. No vices except you-know-what! Honest, often funny, musical, passionate. Oh, and nice blue eyes, dark hair/moustache. You: smooth Latin, Asian, Italian, etc.



bottom, or just looking for a friend. No attitudes, please! Reply BT Box DC85C or call ★★3250.

Guess What I Want For Christmas?
I want to meet a muscle man who is relationship-oriented. This GWM, 39, 155# (and growing), HIV-, is looking for a sincere bodybuilder type, about 25-40. I'm attractive, financially secure, stable, professional. I like working out (body under construction), movies, romantic dinners and quiet nights at home. While muscle magazines and videos excite me, I much prefer a real man to love and worship. Let me show you how much I appreciate all your hard work at the gym. If interested, please write. Reply BT Box DC86C or call ★★3251.

PositHIV Energy
32 y.o. man with a well-oiled mind, 5'10", 165#, br/gr, hairy chest, trim bearded, balding on top, handsome, muscular sex fiend. I am ready to nest with a lustfully shaped thinking man with a smart ass, pure soul and infected cum, who loves to wrap his throat around a cocksucker's delight. I am fast in the kitchen, philosopher when stoned, and often a touch-slut. Partially List(less): trees, grazing, acidsex, hot-tub, hands, skirts, Mahler, voice, more, talk, fine grain. Please, no bad shoes. Reply BT Box DC87C or call ★★3252.

It's Very Simple
I want to make your dick and balls feel real good with my tongue and mouth. No hassles. Your place, pref. days. I'm WM, 36, fit, HIV-, good-looking. You are masculine Black, or matted with body hair all over (any race). Please be HIV- and nonsmoker. Thanks! Reply BT Box DC88C or call ★★3253.

Asian Men
Free German and/or English lessons by a mature, well-educated, well-traveled, kind, quiet, discreet GWM seeking someone to treasure for a long-term relationship. Looks and age not important, but please be masculine and discreet. Send photo (returned) if possible. Reply BT Box DC89C or call ★★3254.

Intelligence Is Sexy!
I'm seeking an attractive man of warmth, wit and intelligence. I'm professionally employed, well-educated, bright and witty. I'm 35 y.o., attractive WM, 5'6", 140 lbs., HIV-, gym-toned, with brown hair, blue eyes, and a warm smile. Personality counts. Call ★★3255.

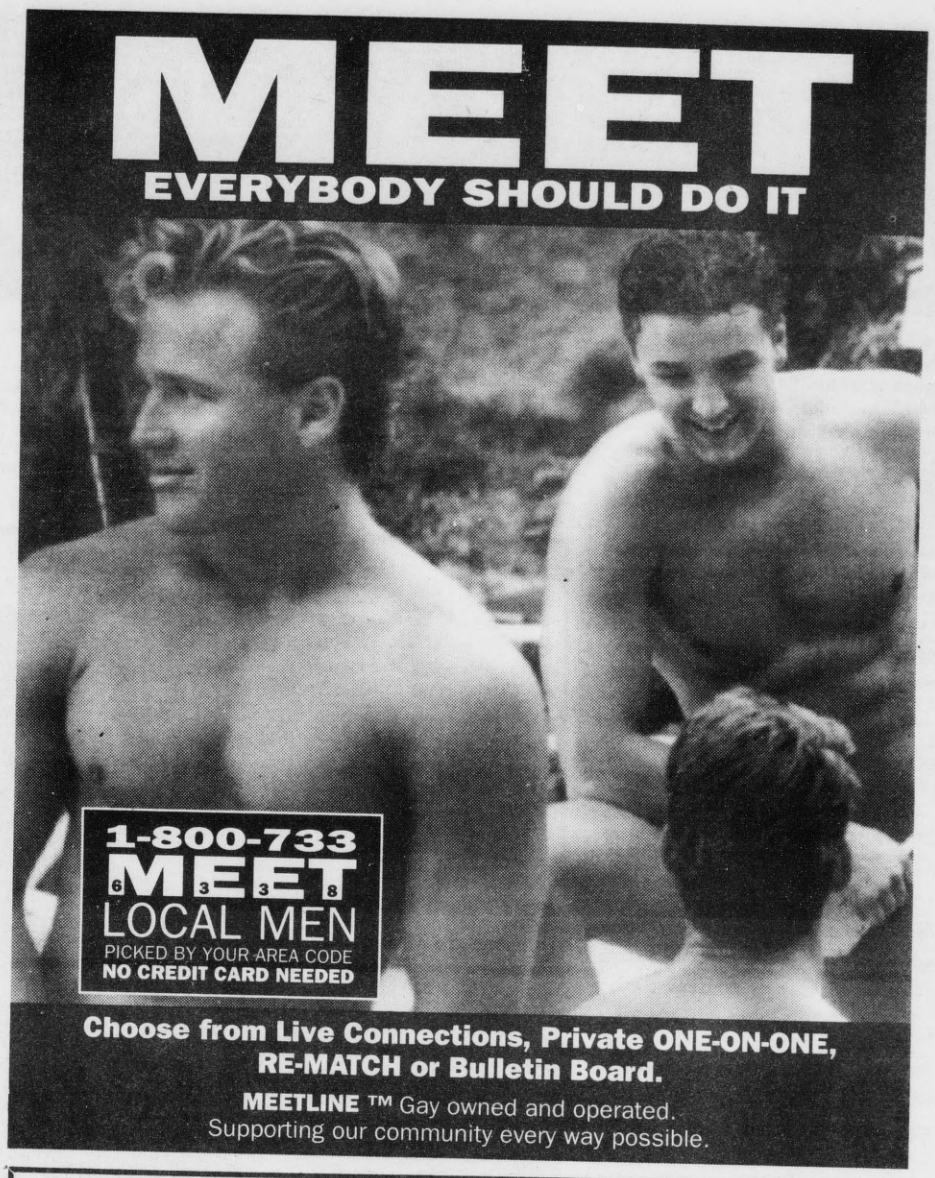
Son Seeks Daddy/Big Brother
GAM, 24, 5'5", 120 lbs., smooth, tanned, gym-toned body. Shy, boyish, good-looking with a big smile. Affectionate, romantic, straight-acting. Looking for a generous gentleman as my daddy/big brother for safe encounters in exchange for small financial assistance. Any age, any race, any size. Call ★★3256.

I'm Tall, Slender And Affectionate...
You are a handsome, masculine, regular guy, 26-39. We both enjoy hiking, weekend trips, intimacy and are open to a monogamous relationship. We are also HIV-, nonsmokers and light drinkers. Sound good? Then this somewhat shy, 32-year-old GWM who is 6'2", 175#, with light brown hair and sexy blue eyes, wants to hear from you now! PO Box 51113, Palo Alto 94303 or call ★★3257.

1993—A New Beginning/Relationship!
Latino, 31, 5'11", 180#, husky, goatee, artist, rebel, professional, versatile, great kisser, bedroom eyes, was in a 10 year relationship. I've been told I am handsome. I get stared at, but I am too shy to make the first move. You: 29-45, GWM/GLM, top, professional. We: affectionate, spontaneous, high values, communicate, flexible, diverse, honest, compassionate, romantics and HIV-. A typical Friday: We meet for a "quality" lunch, then continue on our busy schedules. After work we wind down the week and spend a quiet night alone. The machine takes the calls, we have a "light" candlelight dinner, as we chat about our days. We then sit and listen to a "Cock Robin" CD, as we kiss more and talk less. 12 am we go to bed, but not to sleep... 4 am I bite your shoulder, half asleep our bodies intertwine and you know what to do... Saturday 9 am we are awakened by the telephone.... Now it's your turn, finish our weekend. Photo appreciated. Reply BT Box DC90C or call ★★3258.

Lonely, Incarcerated Florida Male
Black, 6'1", 195 lbs., 29, sexy, well-built, good-looking, sincere, serious, open-minded and honest. No games! Seeks sincere person with understanding who wants someone real in their lives. I'm into music, sports, working out, novels, writing. Romantic type, quiet nature and fun with right people. Sex, race unimportant. True relationships are fulfilling. Include return address. Reply BT Box DC91C.

We Respect Each Other
GWM, 48, attractive, fit biker, hiker, relaxed, erudite, community committed & involved; socially, politically, environmentally aware and conversant; devout reader of the range of ideas far above Time and Newsweek; independent with time & readiness to commit to the other half. You: GM, 40-55, fit with similar interests, any race and just as intolerant of idle chit chat. You and I are discreet about our lifestyle but are actively committed to the guarantee of Bill of Rights freedoms. We are not clones of each other; while we may be quite different in non-substantive ways, we respect each other's nature and ambitions. We also recognize that, at this age, we are formed and cannot, will not be made over to suit the other's agenda. We are a piece, not the piece, missing from each other's puzzle. Call ★★3259.





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E. Oakland ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY? 220lb muscular build: 21 yr old GWM in the navy enjoy writing, reading, politics, into classic rock, good food, seeking GWM 20-25. ☎2574

San Francisco We are a gay couple, seeking a third for weekends ☎2933

SF Jim, like to meet asian men ☎2818

SF ASIAN MALE, 5'8, 140lbs, enjoy skiing, seeking attractive WM, into friendships, waiting to hear from you, call for hm number ☎2884

SF LATIN GUY: 23 yr old, rel. oriented for guy 20-40 call for hm number ☎2913

Hayward great GLUTES Latin male 28, great shape, beginner Body builder, submis., can travel ☎2941

SF Bi-curious, white male 5'7, muscular built, seeks bi-curious asian male for experimentation ☎3035

Hayward NO REGRETS: 5'10, SOLID 28 yr old, very subm. bttm seeking agress. top stud 18-37 ☎3108

SF NEW TO GAY LIFE: 28 YR OLD, kinda shy: brwn hair/eyes, 5'10, 160lbs, avg. looking w/glasses, call for hm number ☎3145

San Francisco THE 3 BEES: BLACK BEARDED BTTM: 180lbs, call soon for get togethers ☎3190

San Francisco VERY SENSUAL 53 yr old, (look younger) brwn hair, hazel eyes, olive complexion, enjoy 1 on 1 conversations ☎3258

SF 19, 5'11, dark brwn hair, blue eyes, would like to meet any guy out there interested in going for anything. ☎2738

Rick, american hispanic, 36 yr old, very open, variety of tastes ☎2730

ANY RACE ANY AGE, OPEN MINDED; 26 yr old new comer, clean , healthy, seeking very aggressive dom. male, enjoy satisfying. ☎2734

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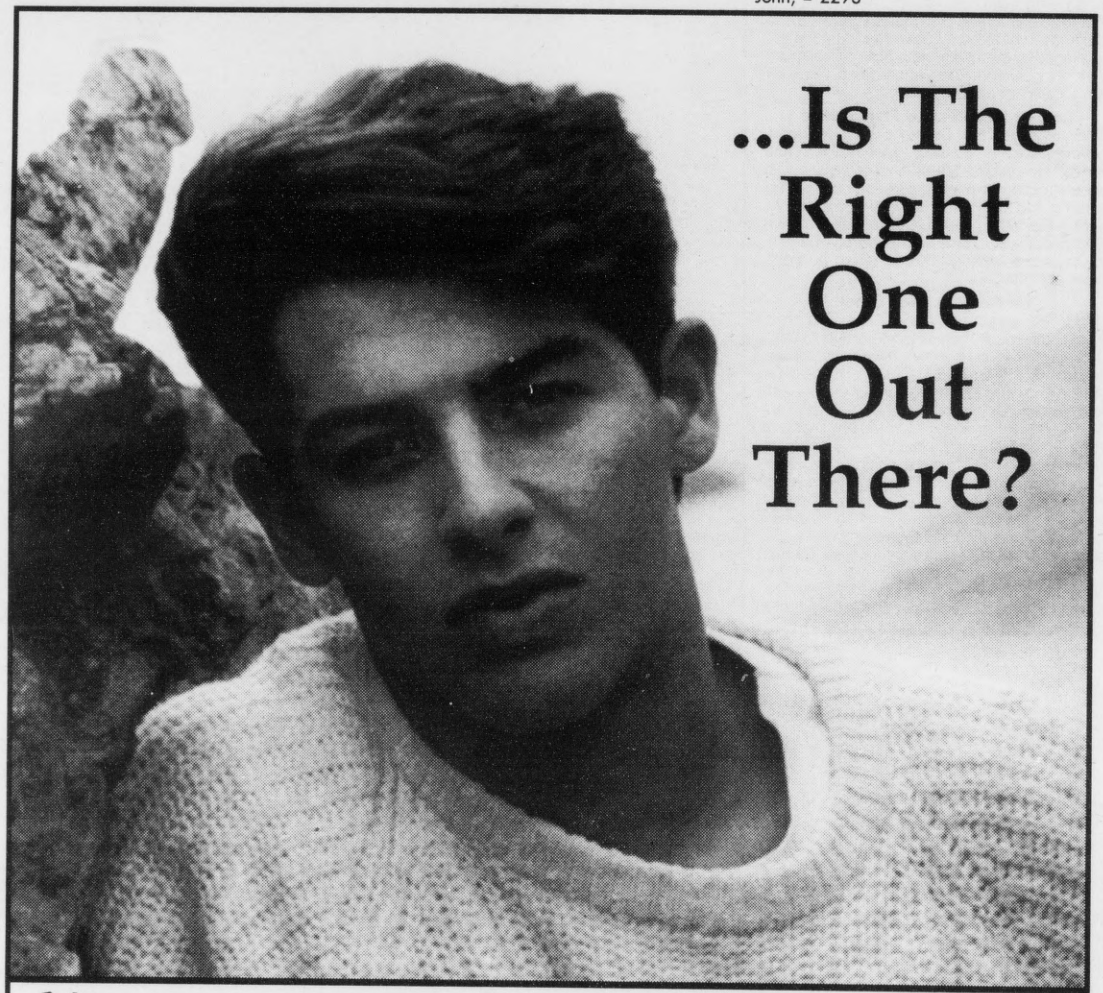
Aggressive top man 3 ways OK, 40, 5'8, 140lbs, clean shaven, hairy chest, average built, nice looking let's connect ☎ 1119

Bi-Male, inexperienced submissive, seeking easy going tall fit guy, ☎ 1686

170lbs, med. built, not afraid to try new delights ☎ 2553

Curious 6'2, 195lbs, Bi-white discreet, clean, runner ☎ 2098

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HEY YOU! LIKE EUROPEAN MEN? I'm tall dark handsome will come to you, kick back & call ☎ 1704

Contra Costa County: I like Latin men. I'm blond blue eyed, 6'4, studly, into reciprocity, total contact, instinctual play, similar attitude call ☎ 2578

Kevin, 24, 5'11, 170, smooth clean shaven endowed BM seeks same, call for my number. ☎ 1902

Russian River: like to party? Let' enjoy some high times, 6', dark hair/eyes,

DR. Feelgood 22, 5'5, bttm, looking for someone 22-34 ☎ 2124

Take Charge Man Wanted by 25 yr old, 5'10, 135lbs, Yuppie, seeks dom. fun ☎ 2040

Boyfriend wanted by 6'2, blond/blue eyed, European college student ☎ 1045

49 yr old, clean, healthy GWM, 5'8, 150lbs, brwn hair, green eyes, any race ok 18-45, ☎ 2139

New boy in Town seeks BLACK male. I'm a 35 yr old, white male, 6', slim, handsome, homebody, new to S. Bay area, looking for slender tall 30-35 yr old BM ☎ 1521

AVAILABLE tonite. I'm a 25 yr old, 5'7, 165lbs, black hair/brwn eyes Bi-guys ok too. ☎ 1439

MEXICAN guy, 40 yr old, enjoy bicycling, working out, masc. men with similar interests wanted ☎ 2362

Paul, 26, goodlking musc. built BB type seeking same, call for hm number ☎ 2392

ASIAN, 5'8, 175lbs, goodlking, ask for John, ☎ 2293

HOT BLACK BB attractive & ripped185lbs, thick moderated hairy, endowed, prefer dark haired musc. men , any race but must be built, ☎ 1924

INTELLIGENT BM 26 yr old, hairy legs, looking for other fit BM up to 35 yr old, for pen pals, get-togethers, serious only call for hm number. ☎ 1557

JUNGLE FEVER? Sexy, attractive, intelligent Mullato guy seeks attractive / endowed with insatiable appetite for fun ☎ 1544

Bald men wanted? or willing to become one? BM, goodlooking, thick, 160lbs, top man, call for hm number serious only ☎ 2159

Let's talk, let's meet, let's see, I'm a shy 27 yr old, hairy, 160lbs, brwn hair, avg. looks, new to gay life, ☎ 1735

GOOD MAN WANTS GOOD MAN: GBM, 180lbs, 6', bttm, looking for affectionate top, 6', who likes music, conversation and long walks along the ocean ☎ 2001

Versatile top, 30 something, BM, into outdoors, partying, seeking other versatile tops/couples call for hm number ☎ 1920

Goodlooking WM 6'2, 195lbs, married, bi-curious, looking for similar for lasting fun rel. ☎ 1850

Jake, 24, Bay area VERY ATHLETIC enjoy outdoors ☎ 1733

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Hot Bi-curious, attractive white male seeks black male. ☎ 6417

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Young & Sexy, 24, 125lbs., blond. ☎ 6635

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Well Proportioned, tired of the bar scene, I'm 24, black, 5'11", 150lbs., enjoy amusement parks. Looking for trusting Latino or white males. ☎ 6509

Like Men Under 45 Mark, 31, 5'10". Call me. ☎ 6453

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San Jose, Latin, male seeks white males to talk on the phone with. ☎ 6046

San Francisco, Sam, 32, long hair, bi-curious, 5'8", 165lbs., seeks guys to hang out with for friendship. ☎ 5998

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Rex, Gym Man, 28, blond, Enjoy a good sense of humor. ☎ 5985

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San Francisco, Kevin, 6', 190lbs., brown hair, hairy, seeks bodybuilder, being Bi- is a plus. ☎ 6083

Santa Rosa Area, Safe playmate wanted, Alex, GWM, brown hair, clean shaven, hairy chest, healthy, good cook, discreet. ☎ 6227

South Bay, Fussy but attractive black male looking for any race except BM. I'm 24, 5'11", 145lbs., handsome, well built, seeking 18-25 only. ☎ 6265

Seeking well defined person, 21, olive skin, blond seeking serious only. ☎ 6358

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Pleasanton, CA, looking to have a nice time, Randy, black male, 36, 5'9". ☎ 4937

Reno Nevada, 19, brown hair, handsome, bodybuilder, outdoor person. Call and ask for Brian. ☎ 4964

Friendly Guy, Tom, 6', 190lbs., hairy chest. ☎ 5013

Mike, 18, seeking 18-25 for romance and fun. ☎ 4926

Pleasanton area, Randy, 5'9", 165lbs., looking to meet guys 21-35, blond hair is a plus. ☎ 4866

Fun Lover, 30, 5'8", 150lbs. mustache, looking to meet guys 21-35, blond hair is a plus. ☎ 4866

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Gay Couple seeks, blond, verbal, ask for Mike. ☎ 5189

John, 33, 6'1", white, enjoy showing off, enjoy all varieties, especially dark. ☎ 5099

Randy, 30, 6', 180lbs. seeks fun guys. ☎ 5085

Tino, Italian, mature, hairy, 5'8", 140lbs., seeks BLACK mature for LTR, Bay area. ☎ 4005

Vincent, 23, seeks older gentleman, Sandy Blond hair, brown eyes. ☎ 5245

Mature Gay White Male, 68, wants younger men in San Jose Vicinity for friendship. No Drugs, would like calls from other states also. ☎ 4005

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Sacramento

Matt, 5'9, brwn hair, blue eyes, 140lbs, 24, ☎2609

Stockton/Modesto: 28, 5'10, 170lbs, hispanic, hot, would like to meet area guys ☎ 2640

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5'9, brwn hair/eyes, 24 yrs old, 135lbs, would like to meet guys 25-30 in my area ☎ 2381

33 yr old, I like Latin guys, ☎ 1331

MASTERFUL White boss, 35 hairy, have strap with your name on it, call for details ☎ 1507

Sacramento: OUTDOORs enthusiast I'm 34 yr old, 5'9, 160lbs, enjoy camping fishing hunting, dining out ☎ 1205

Sacramento, Randy, 35 yr old, white, 5'9, 160lbs, I like to hunt, fish, camp, evenings out, must be discreet for friendship maybe more ☎ 9725

Sacramento: Steve, bi-curious, want to try something new ☎ 8876

Joe, Sacramento, 22yr old, italian, 5'7, 150 lean built, smooth body, nice person wanted ☎ 8161

Black or White OK, 25, let's spend time together, Ricardo. ☎ 7285

Comfortable in Old jeans, easy going, 5'7", 160lbs., semi-muscular, trim beard, hairy, enjoy camping, hiking, trips to Reno, Yosemite, real men only. ☎ 7287

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Sacramento Law student masculine, 26, 5'10", seeks smaller, boyish, cute fun guys, clean shaven. Ask for Bob. ☎ 7077

Can Travel, 37, 6'1", 190lbs., dark hair, clean shaven, tanned top man seeks hairy body. ☎ 7033

Let's Explore Together, Mike from Sacramento, 35, 5'10", sandy grey hair, looking for fun and attractive men for fun times. ☎ 6999

Yes, seeking part time lover, I'm, 35 white, 5'9", 28 inch waist, smooth masculine, new to scene, Bi's OK. ☎ 6690

Seeking Asian Males for outdoor fun and afternoon get together, Steve, 29, 6', 190lbs., seeking young smooth men. ☎ 6489

Afternoon Delight, Romantic male seeks top men for afternoon fun. Live in Placerville area. Call me. ☎ 6574

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GWM, 41, 5'11", 175#, brown eyes, thinning brown hair. Healthy, gym or bike ride 4x week because I like eating well too. HIV- nonsmoker, light drinker. Enjoy: socializing with many gay and straight friends, cards, movies, theater, travel, dinners, classes, art, even some bars. Shy around new people, but warm up quickly. Had long-term loving relationships; know it's possible again. Witty and a little sarcastic. Financially stable, at least until Xmas. Alive in the E. Bay. Looking to develop relationship with similar age/interests. Call ★★3262.

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Wanted by sincere WM, young for 43, slim, 6'2", 170 lbs., nice smooth buns, HIV-, cleanshaven, blue eyes. Seek strict but caring older guy with strong hand and strap, for traditional corporal punishment style bare butt "beating." Prefer no overt sex in this context. Caring attitude important. In letter, say enough. Reply Boxholder, PO Box 14794, SF 94114. Any race OK. Plus if spiritual.

Available For Magic
55 y.o. GWM, 5'9", 150 lbs., trimmed gray beard, thinning hair, distinguished looking, professional; emotionally available, capable of loving and being responsible; HIV-. Lover of 8 yrs. died 1 yr. ago. Love walking, music, theater, travel, hanging out, caring, giving, talking, puns, humor, ideas. Seeking intelligent, articulate, responsive, attractive, sincere man, mid-40s to mid-50s. I want to love deeply and openly again. NS. Reply BT Box DC94C.

Special GWM Seeks Special GBM
I'm a 40 y.o. European GWM searching for that elusive quality in a mate. I'm 5'7", 190#, br/br & feel life should be shared, not stored. If you're a GBM fed up with insincerity & false promises then call me & let's see if we share similar aspirations & goals in life. Maybe 1993 will bring renewed hope & lasting happiness. Call ★★3263.

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And be a feast for a naturally dominant male. I'll devour your long, lean, hairy, submissive body with an unhurried intensity. No brutality (but you should know that you like to hurt). Limits respected (but I will test them all). No bodily eliminations (human toilets and barflies, go away). No bondage required until trust blossoms, but meanwhile, if unhesitant obedience isn't your middle name, don't even apply. You're HIV-, nonsmoking, light drinking, 30-50, smart, tall, dark-haired, good smile, with a clean, exceptionally lean, well-exercised, hairy body quivering with sensitivity and craving safe, monogamous domination by a damned good-looking, relentless top who's 5'10", 165#, 40s, with a very sexy blond hairy body, commanding presence and wicked pale-green eyes. Call ★★3264.

Let's Get Naked
Attractive, friendly, boyish-looking GWM, 33 y.o., 5'8", 140#, dark blond hair, grn eyes, clean-cut, hairy, trim body, seeks handsome, muscular, independent topman for friends and fun. Reply w/photo (returned) for fast response. Box 99, 2300 Market St., SF 94114. Call ★★3265.

Hose Me Down
Very well-built white boy, 46, healthy, horny, muscular, short, blond, balding, can be aggressive, new to WS scene and curious. I'd like to try being on the receiving end of your recycled beer. Requirements: You be healthy, muscular, masculine and really into hosing guys down good. Extra credit if you are East Bay, friendly, uncut, hung big with low hangers, and can piss like a donkey. Call ★★3266.

Wish List
You are 25-40 y.o., lean, defined, HIV-, non-user, unattached, deep but relatively uncomplicated, sweet-tempered, enjoy film (good, bad, indifferent), TV news and drama, symphony and opera, occasional meals out, bookstores, Cliff's toys, KKHI, 12-step spirituality, walking, ideas (philosophical and literary), prolonged leisurely lovemaking, passion and peace, and are attracted to big, tall, reserved but affectionate, serious, intelligent, FrP/FrA/GrA, hairy, powerful legs, into modest lifestyle, acceptance, working through issues, spiritual search and not having the world by the balls. PO Box 640253, SF 94164-0253 or call ★★3267.

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Jock Buddy Wanted
Clean-cut, 25-yr-old, Italian stud seeks masc. jocks wanted for4 safe fun and athletic scenes. Me: 5'8", 150#, blk hair, brn eyes, hairy body, well-endowed. U: clean-cut, all-Amerivcan type, 18-30, cleanshaven. Interests include sports, biking, hiking. Very discreet. Write PO Box 427166, SF 94142 or call ★★3269.

Dad Wants Son
For the New Year. Dad will supply TLC, nurturing and some bondage in the role play. Dad is whole person. Son is whole person. Dad is 45, 195#, very gym-type. Dad—writes poetry. Dad is committed to self. Let's get creative on various levels. Dad enjoys leather, two-step, disco, beach, outdoors, etc. Would enjoy tying you up and cuddling later. Relationship-adoption probable. Reply BT Box DC95C or call ★★3270.

Somewhere There's A Someone
Maybe it's you. I'm attractive Italian, in-shape, very young 60, 5'8", 155#, brown/bald, nonsmoker, short beard/moustache, hairy chest, HIV-, clean, neat, honest, considerate, dependable, nice guy. I'd consider relocating for businessowner and be partner/lifemate. Enjoy home, reading, music, plants, board games, conversation, quiet times. Please be nonsmoker, mature, in-shape. Photo appreciated/returned. Take a chance. We're worth it. Box 6043, Eureka 95502-6043 or call ★★3271.

Are You Over Six Foot Two?
GWM in the East Bay hoping to meet other GWMs for either friendship or possible relationship. East Bay preferable but not mandatory. I'm 33, 5'9", 175#, brown hair, hazel eyes, light brown moustache. I'm very honest, romantic & sincere & would like to meet someone similar. I don't do the bar scene or 1-night stands. And I don't believe in playing head games. I like most kinds of music, bike riding, curling up in front of a fire, cooking, movies & walking in the rain. Reply BT Box DC96C or call ★★3272.

Happy Sincere Gay Man Wants You
I'm a sincere, loving, giving top WM, NS, ND, 45, look 38, 5'10½", br, gr, 175 lbs., looking for one good man to share good and bad times with. Reading, walking, Giants, 49ers, playing cards are just a few interests. If interested call and let's get together. See if there are sparks and if more develops—great. Call ★★3273.

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Because you're tall, lean, hairy, masculine. You'd rather be cradled in the arms of one good man who'd allow you to make him happy. Someone handsome, older, wiser, fit. One who'd accept you unconditionally for who you are. Who'd counsel, nurture, strengthen you. Sexually heal you. Hold you while you slept. Shield you from the madness. I'm 5'10", 162#, fortysomething, HIV-, well-built, manly, fair-haired and hairy, handsome by any standard and wise beyond my years. You're HIV-, probably 30-40, NS, light drinker, dark-haired, bright, sensitive, seeking monogamy and rapture. Call ★★3274.

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Affection, Buddhas, companionship, dharma, existence, forever, Grateful Dead, honor, integrity, jungles, Katmandu, lust, Mendocino, native plants, oceans, pleasure, guercus agrifolia, resilience, silence, truth, Udaipur, Van Morrison, wind, xanthosoma, yarrow, Zimmerman. A few clues for a bearded, stocky, masculine, HIV-man, 30-50 yrs. old to mull over. This man has an inner beauty to match his outdoor ruggedness. Me: masculine, naturalized teddy bear. No leather or kink. Send photo with written reply. Reply BT Box DC97C or call ★★3275.

Middle Age Catch
Attractive middle-aged man, 50 yrs old, professional, looking for right man. Am a GWM who is youthful-looking & acting. I'm 6', 190 lbs., HIV-. Have varied interests & friends. Looking for attractive GWM, GAM, GLM between ages of 32-52 to share a relationship with. Must be HIV-, stable, ND, light drinker, responsible with a positive personality. If you enjoy the maturity of middle-aged men reply BT Box DC98C or call ★★3276.

Spank Your Butt
Hot, masculine top, 34 y.o., 5'11", 165#, looking for in-shape guys with nice, round butts that need to be put over my knee for a good, old-fashioned spanking. Safe, erotic butt play OK too. Reply with photo to PO Box 14581, SF 94114 or call ★★3277.

Judeo-Christian Men
GWM, 40 y.o., 5'7", 195 lbs., bearded, small bear. Seeking friends who are comfortable with their God and being gay as I am. My gayness is a gift from my maker. My God and family are important in my life. Looking to share in every way with others who share this view that God has blessed them in a special way by being gay. Call ★★3278.

Romantic Top Seeks Bottom
Tired of meeting jokers? Me too. I am hopeless romantic, blue-eyed blond Scorpio butt-slammer. I'm 48, 6'2", 220#, HIV-, in need of a boyfriend or live-in lover. If you're sincere, serious and need a rare man in your life, call me. If you're a doper, boozer, daily gym-goer or have a cash register, please don't call me. Happy 1993. Boxholder, 751 Laurel Ave., #428, San Carlos 94070 or call ★★3279.

Mature
GWM, 59-yr-old, 5'8", stocky, nice-looking, masculine, professional masseur. Like theater, music, dance, art, massage, weekends for two, rental movies, cuddling. Looking for a low-key, intelligent, good-natured, caring lover. Healthy nonsmoker, light drinker, no drugs, in good shape, with a youthful attitude and interested in building a lasting relationship. Reply BT Box DC99C or call ★★3280.

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One of these days maybe I'll get the call I've been waiting for. He'll be 32-38, romantically inclined to remember when affection was cherished. He'll have a great sense of humor & responsibility; non-balding; short or tall, doesn't matter. He'll care what I'm thinking about at times. He'll hug me for no reason except he wants to. He'll grow to say, "I love you," because he wants to, not because he feels he has to. Me: 37, GWM, very good-looking, little reserved, 5'7", 165#, hoping to meet my match—another GWM who is not a mirror image but complements this ad. Call ★★3281.

Masc. Black Weightlifter Sks Muscle Stud
Me: Black, very muscular, moderately hairy, 35, 6 ft, 180#, good-looking, well-hung, into safe sex (no insertion). You: any race, masc., very muscular. I'm only interested in well-built guys. If you are a regular weightlifter who likes big, ripped guys, you'll like me. Give me a call. Reply BT Box DC100C or call ★★3282.

"Old Age Turns Me On"
Black man, mature, stable, loving, etc. Seeks relationship with man up to age 75 y.o. Will answer all replies. 227 Ellis St., #482, SF 94102 or call ★★3283.

"You'll Never Know..."
If an apple is right till you bite it. You'll never know if a fire is going to burn till you light it." You and I could find romance. Darling, until you take that chance, you'll never ever know. 37, GWM, absolutely adorable guy, 5'7", 165#, hazel eyes, beautiful hair, serious, affectionately romantic, wanting faithful, serious boyfriend/lover to call his own. Call ★★3284.

Interested In More Than Sex
Mature, masculine, 27 y.o., looking for similar GWM under 45. I'm 5'9", 145 lbs., handsome, well-built, healthy, HIV+, Italian/German, with dark hair, eyes, goatee. Looking for nonsmoking man over 25 who is in good shape, has facial hair and is versatile or bottom. My interests include: working out, traveling, dancing and skiing. (J.: You answered my Nov. 19 ad, but forgot to leave your number. You are 32, 5'10", 165#, with goatee.) Reply BT Box DC101C or call ★★3285.

Oakland Voyeur/Exhibitionist Is Looking For You
Masculine, aggressive guy into heavy mutual dirty talk, jack off, cock & ball worship, while drinking/partying (share expense 50/50), seeking geeks, nerds, uglies, as well as other non-judgmental guys into the above for 11 pm-12 midnight encounters, my place. Discourage physical activity, while encouraging visual, verbal, audio senses. Serious cock worshippers wanted, not silly curiosity seekers or tits/ass freaks, or oral/anal enthusiasts. J/O, talk—main activity. Call ★★3286.

Seeking Monogamous Cub
Cleanshaven, affectionate lion/bear, 47, 6'3", 195#, exclusively BD/SM/raunch top into heavy masculine intimacy (otherwise versatile), HIV-, with hairy 44" chest, thick daddy waist, strong legs, nice butt seeks real slim, tight-bodied, healthy, HIV-, nonsmoking, devoted cub, any age/race to share my lair. Strictly domestic, monogamous relationship only—not into bars, scenes, dating. Photo and honest, explicit letter. Reply BT Box DC102C.

Younger GWM/Youthful GAM
GAM, mid-30s, 5'9", 140 lbs., still looks 5 to 10 yrs. younger, intelligent, educated, funny/happy, easygoing, good-looking, attractive, masculine, HIV-, stable/independent, mature/responsible, loyal, monogamous, relationship-oriented, supportive, no smoking/drugs, cleanshaven, glasses/clean-cut, spontaneous, love to kiss/cuddle, music/dancing, outdoors/beaches, movies/arts, good conversation, smooth, sexy/horny. Seeking younger GWM under 35 with similar qualities, with a calm personality. Call ★★3287.

Short And Sweet
Sounds yummy to me! Asian or Latino? Under 5'8"? Let's meet! Me: 40, stocky, rugged looks, doing interesting things with my life. You: a brain, a sense of humor, a positive outlook, something to say, a job, pleasing to the eye (not necessarily pretty) and the tongue, interested in friendship that has farther to go than a bargain matinee, a burger and a poke. Call for details! Call ★★3288.

Furry Irish Slave
Hot blond, 36, 5'6", 140 lbs., beard, tattooed, healthy HIV+, seeks perverted master for fucking, domination, exhibitionism, shaving, ending up your hole/property. Also want real human connection outside sex & open to long-term. No drugs. Beard or moustache a must. Like hot springs, back roads, nude beaches, classical music, aviation, weekend trips, languages. Call ★★3289.

The Best Connection
GWM. My Higher Power didn't create me to be alone or to hang in bars looking for you. So you need to write or call. Pleasant, good-look'n, 37 y.o., 5'10", 155 lbs., cleanshaven, HIV-, NS, ND/ND and in-shape. Looking for similar. Will accept someone who squeezes the toothpaste from the middle of the tube. Send photo to BT Box DC103C or call ★★3290.

Get It While It's Hot!
This red-hot chili pepper of a GAM (although I really don't look Asian) wants to add spice to your life. I'm in my early 20s (certainly not outdated), 5'10", lean, deliciously fine-looking, very nice, easy to get along with, and looking for a monogamous relationship with a hard sausage of a man. If you're taller than I am, handsome and a nonsmoker who is HIV- and between the ages of 21 and 35, let me hear from you. And maybe I'll add even more stiffness to your salami! Reply BT Box DC104C.

Chemistry Is Everything
GWM, 47, 5'10½", 165#, blond, blue-eyed, good shape and sense of humor, HIV-. More J. Crew than Rawhide. More handsome than not. Love movies, theater, travel, my friends, my work, my life. Looking for someone to share my life with. I love making love. Beginning with coffee and some chemistry. Start with a phone call or a letter with pix. Call ★★3291.

Asian Wanted For New Year
Looking for an Asian to celebrate American and/or Chinese New Year with. I'm a GWM, 40s, 5'10", 180#, HIV-, blue eyes, professional, masculine, live in SF. You're an affectionate, sincere, nonsmoker—like quiet times, cuddling, massage and more. Call or send me a letter with a picture if possible and let's start the new year right. Reply BT Box DC105C or call ★★3292.

Looking For Younger Partner
I'm 46, 5'11", 160#, brown/blue, in-shape and attractive. Interested in younger men who enjoy taking commands during sex but otherwise want an equal relationship. Love playful, passionate sex, conversation, videos/movies, weekend drives. No drugs or heavy drinking. Let's meet. Call ★★3293.

How 'Bout A Date?!
In San Francisco, getting laid is easy, but I can't seem to find what I really want: A date! I'm 28, attractive, 5'9", slim, with dark brown hair, blue eyes. I'm also educated, political, intelligent, shy but open and smoke free. A good date for me might include: movie, dinner (out or in), live jazz and good conversation. You: similar age, cute, nonsmoker, bored of one-nighters. Call ★★3294.

My Ideal Man
Is seen somewhat in the shadows, as if blurred to insure confidentiality in an interview. Perhaps this is because I don't favor a particular "type." What is important is what he's saying—which he says often—"Jack me off. I wanna cum." Could he be you? I'm a GWM, 46, 5'8", 170 lbs., br/bl and am HIV-. Call ★★3295.

Tall, Lanky
Intellectual motorcycle dude who likes obscure modern fiction, art movies, loud rock music, socializing and solitude. I also like men who are physically and emotionally fit, intelligent, masculine, maybe creative (and I don't mean at decorating your apt.), and whose interests extend beyond television, faux finishes and shopping. I'm 36, 6'2", 160 lbs., crewcut, goatee. I work out, run, eat healthily and take care of my mind and spirit. Reply BT Box DC106C or call ★★3296.

My Psychic Says...
You're swarthy, slender, 40ish, bright, professional, traveled, musical, live in an older, brown, shingled house on a hill, and willing to put up with an active, creative, 42 y.o., chunky GWM of somewhat similar background and interests who is sometimes fun, often difficult, always interesting. She says you're the love of my life, and I of yours. To have a deeper look into the crystal ball, phone ★★3297.

Asian Partner
Sought by good-looking, masculine, professional GWM, HIV-, young 40s, with trim build (5'8", 140 lbs., br/bl). You should be HIV-, too, 28-43, attractive, trim and, like me, sexy, passionate, affectionate. Together we are nonsmokers/non-substance abusers, enjoy movies, theater, art, travel, keeping in-shape, and are seeking a relationship based on communication and trust. Your letter and photo gets mine in return. Reply BT Box DC107C or call ★★3298.

Lovers For A Lifetime
GWM, very young-spirited, early 40s, masculine (Italian/French) good looks, 5'11", trim/athletic/tan, 158 lbs., dark hair, deep hazel eyes, and a great smile. Happy, relaxed, successful, creative, entrepreneur. Very romantic, versatile, easy to be with, looking to share a really exciting life with the right man. You: intelligent, down-to-earth, honest, emotionally available, HIV-, very masculine guy, into sharing new experiences and everyday life with a devoted lover in a truly monogamous relationship built on trust, romance, passion and fun. Major pluses: you're sort-of-blond, with strong hairy arms, maybe a moustache, chunky or slightly muscular build, and interest in the arts, horses, exploring, boating or tennis. Together we'll enjoy travel, days at the beach, evenings out or at home by the fire, long embracing nights and quiet mornings for a lifetime. I hope you're out there and you'll call to let me know how we can find each other. Call ★★3299.

Seeking Fun & Companionship
33-yr-old professional would like to meet caring & sincere gay male for friendship/relationship. I enjoy movies, dining out, music, bicycling in Golden Gate Park, romance & good conversations. I am GWM, 6'1", 185#, brn/brn, medium build, cleanshaven, HIV- and considered good-looking. You live in SF, are fun-loving, w/similar interests, 25-35 yrs, slim to medium build, about 6' tall, any race, and have a career or are working toward one. Let's meet for coffee! Reply BT Box DC108C or call ★★3300.

Looking For Mr. Right
Me: attractive GWM, 35, 6'2", 190#, brn/brn, HIV-, trim beard, financially responsible, very romantic, enjoy traveling to exotic places, foreign movies, long drives, weekends in the country, cooking, eating out, quiet evenings at home. Interested in photography, modern art, must admit to being somewhat of a clotheshorse. Not into bars, drugs, religion, church, big parties. You: 28-42, similar interests, intelligent, imaginative, wanting relationship. Please call. Reply BT Box DC109C or call ★★3301.

Carpe Diem
Handsome GWM, 38, 5'11", 165 lbs., healthy HIV+, emotionally available, literate, professional, European-educated activist. Passionate about truth, beauty, romance, the nature of reality, intimacy, classical and world music, wrestling, cuddling, travel, sex, poetry, literature and love. You know yourself and what you want; you are my age or younger, independent, romantic, looking for a friend, lover or mate, and have some passions of your own. Write and tell me about them. Reply BT Box DC110C or call ★★3302.

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Your body with my mouth. Write (send photo, if possible, to get my attention) or call if you think that you'd like hours of lustful, nasty oral service anywhere on your well-built, athletic body. You guide me, tell me what to do. My tongue is at your command. Me: handsome, 30, Hispanic. You: confident, able to focus on both of us finding ways to please you. Reply BT Box DC111C or call ★★3303.

A Handsome Thai Male
Is available to a special GWM! Hi, I am 36, 5'8", 170# and HIV-. A collegiate, guy-next-door type with an agreeable smile and a hard, silky bod. A software professional and a tennis player. Huggable and beddable. I seek a special GWM. He is cleanshaven, athletic, high-achieving and an incurable romantic. Please respond to Boxholder 128, 633 Post St., SF 94109. Thanks! Or call ★★3304.

His Libido Seems Finito
I am currently in longtime loving relationship in which my partner's low sex drive was last seen near the Bermuda Triangle. I would like to meet someone who is considerate of this situation in my search for an outside, discreet, sexual friendship. I'm GWM, 43, 5'8", 145 lbs., dark blue eyes, HIV-, trim, smooth, youngish/handsome, very nice guy and stable. Prefer 38-50s, chest hair and hopefully as oral and affectionate as I am. Gray hair a plus. Photo (returned) appreciated. Sincere only please. Reply BT Box DC112C.

A Lasting Relationship
GWM, early 30s, 5'8", slim, cleanshaven, seeks a special person for a loving, monogamous relationship that will last the rest of our lives. I am intelligent and well-educated, and enjoy reading, writing, singing, listening to music, and running; I don't enjoy, nor do I frequent, bars or dance clubs. I believe in God, though not organized religion, and value the spiritual more than the physical. I am looking for someone with a similar outlook who has integrity, believes in traditional family values, and is ready to make a commitment. You should be intellectual and well-educated, with a career or field of study that you love and that makes a contribution to society—perhaps you are in teaching, medicine, science or the arts. I am open to all races but find I often have a special kinship with Asians. You should be 23 to 35, slim, cleanshaven and a nonsmoker; but otherwise, physical appearance does not matter. Send no photograph, just a literate letter, to: PO Box 40352, Berkeley 94704.

Slim Chinese Or Viet Wanted
Sincere WM, young for 43, 6'2", 172 lbs., trim, blue eyes, HIV-, seeks slim to skinny, warmhearted Asian, 20-35, for sincere friend or possible lover. I'm caring, good listener, affectionate. Plus if you are foreign-born, nonsmoker, somewhat shy, enjoy exercise and/or not into bars. Reply Boxholder, PO Box 210202, SF 94121-0202.

Saw You On Muni
Wednesday, 12/16, 3:32 pm, Castro Station, outbound L. You got off as I got on. Eyes met, we said hello. I should have gotten off! You: long brown hair, moustache/goatee, black-rimmed glasses. Me: black hair, hat, black leather jacket, black T-shirt, 5 o'clock shadow. You'd just said goodbye to a friend... what was I thinking? Who are you? Call ★★3305.

Flex Your Muscles
WM, 5'6", 155 lbs., seeks muscular guy of any size into pumping up, oil, mirrors, posing and being admired. Like defined, baseball biceps, pecs, veins, hot legs, armpits. Especially seek Asian bodybuilder into showing off his physique. PO Box 426655, SF 94142 or call ★★3306.

Asian Opportunity
If you are a GAM looking for a GWM who is handsome, trim, 5'10", 155#, clean-cut and a professional from the Financial District then this could be what you have been hoping for. I am one who is a sharing and caring individual who is into films, travel, biking, beach walks, interesting restaurants and other broadening experiences. I am not into bars and prefer nonsmokers. If you are ready for a possible relationship I would like to hear from you. Call ★★3307.

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Middle-Aged Beefcake
Seeks trim partner to date, share good times with, and whatever uninhibited else develops over time. I'm WM, 5'10", 200#, good husky football player type build, 45, medium hairy, cleanshaven, hung, uncut, HIV-. I'm intelligent, professional, financially responsible, reasonably attractive and non-neurotic, independent, nonsmoker, no drugs. No Greek. Have many interests. PO Box 1177, Palo Alto 94302 or call ★★3309.

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Is the relationship that this single male is looking for and will have. Why settle for anything, but the finest? If you are an unattached male with an insouciant, unconventional personality that can handle life's "situations" without going through "changes," then I would like to meet you and we can go from there... By the way, what do you want for Valentine's Day? Please forward your address, phone number and a recent picture, (we might see each other in a domestic/international airport and never know). I will return your picture. Call ★★3310.

Looking to meet professional, healthy, HIV+ African American, 35-55, for good times. I'm 33, 5'7", 155 lbs., hairy, Semitic, fun. No smokers or pretentious folks, please. Looks unimportant. Reply BT Box DC114C or call ★★3311.

Young Lover/Boyfriend
OK, I'm early 30s. Yes, I'm attracted to younger men. OK, I don't go to the gym, but I look pretty good. OK, you got me. I don't have a 10-incher, but I'm good-looking, somewhat hairy, romantic, loveable and will make some cute, slender young man a great lover. If this sounds good I sure hope to hear from you! Reply BT Box DC115C or call ★★3312.

U.P.I.P.*
*Unendurable pleasure infinitely prolonged. 6'2", 200 lbs.. mid-50s, HIV- top seeks prolonged oral servicing from trim, defined, 25 to 40 y.o. oral expert. Please leave name, number, description and call back time. Thank you. Call ★★3313.

Asian Desired
By attractive GWM, 5'7", 145 lbs., HIV-. I am professional, athletic and full of energy. I am seeking an attractive Asian who is sincere and serious about a relationship. You never know what can happen, so call and maybe something will. Call ★★3314.

Where Is My Prince Charming?
I'm 45 years old, GWM, very handsome and masculine. Physically I'm 5'9", 175#, 30" waist, with dark hair and eyes, moustache, and a lean, solid, smooth, well-defined body. Intellectually I'm a very quiet, introspective person, passive and not sexually aggressive. My interests include gym workouts, running, long walks, eating right, Palm Springs, movies, music, photography, travel and quiet times at home. I'm looking for a GWM who's available, exclusively a top, is a great kisser, and has a smooth, well-defined body. You should be handsome, have dark features with moustache, be cut, masculine, self-assured, have a sense of humor and want lots of sex. My goal is to serve at your pleasure and make you proud of me. Major turn-offs are excessive body hair and tobacco smoke. Am not interested in meeting anyone in an open relationship. Call ★★3315.

Sincere, Handsome Man
GWM, 42 y.o., 6'3", 180 lbs., HIV-, stable, financially secure, balanced, professional, etc. Looking to meet same or similar who is relationship-oriented, masculine, muscular, handsome and honest. My interests include movies, intimate/safe sex, plays, romance and local/foreign travel. You should be fun to be with, well-built, responsible, easygoing, attractive and kindhearted. Reply BT Box DC116C or call ★★3316.

What's Between Your Legs
Interests me less than what's between your ears! 48 y.o., HIV+ (healthy), brn/gray hair & moustache, about 175#, 5'10", a nonsmoker, light drinker (considering my Irish ancestry) and a great sense of humor. I have a good career, love to read, go to movies (from obscure foreign to blockbusters), to cook and be w/friends—but my life lacks you. I've lived in Hawaii and love traveling to Mexico & darker men tend to turn my head. You want warmth, caring and miss being held. You are honest, sensitive and playful too. I'm told I'm good-looking—that's for you to decide. Your picture gets mine. Let's see where it leads! Reply BT Box DC117C.

Stable, Tender, Romantic
Mature GWM, 52, 155#, 5'11", gray/blue, HIV-. I am caring, dynamic, energetic, sincere, vibrant. You: healthy HIV-, affectionate, weight in proportion to height, bottom or versatile, willing to commit time, patience and energy to build a lifetime friendship/relationship. Your photo gets mine. Box 31854, SF 94131 or call ★★3317.

Where Are All The Young, Attractive, Stable Gay Guys?
Cute, clean-cut, masculine (but sensitive), preppy/frat-looking, gay, white UCB student, 20, 5'11", brown/blue, 155 lbs., sincere, humorous, intelligent, nonsmoker, no drugs, HIV-; seeks another similar, attractive, white, masculine-looking, boy next door type dude (18 to 26 only) for friendship/relationship. Students, athletic guys and East Bay are all pluses. Serious only please —no flakes or phonies. Call ★★3318.

I Need Picture Proof
I am a good-looking, masculine GWM, 31 years old, 5'8", 140 pounds, light brown hair, blue eyes, moustache and healthy HIV+. I enjoy movies, dinner in as well as out, travel, romantic weekend trips and friends. I am looking for another good-looking, masculine male, 28 to 40, with similar interests plus. Send note and photo to: Boxholder, PO Box 2038, SF 94126 or call ★★3319.

Body And Soul?
Seeking friends or more serious Partner, Asian/Latin/all races, 20-35. Me: music (Cole, Bolton, Sade, jazz, gospel, etc.), Twilight Zone, Poe, Van Gogh, Kierkegaard, moderate Christian, no heavy alcohol/drugs, lite erotica, Kirk Cummings, Matt Ramsey, ethnic food, Chaplin, Newhart, Looney Toons, etc. I'm WM, 30, 5'9", 155#, hairy, cleanshaven, called good-looking. You: ?... Letter & photo to: J.S., 41 Sutter, #1565, SF 94104 or call ★★3320.

Heart's Delight
Rugged, smooth, masculine Asian, 45, 5'9", with positive attributes and altruistic values seeks similar cleanshaven, gym-toned, muscular WM into casual or intensive relationship. Enjoy running, workouts, camping, arts, politics, PBS, dancing, music (new age, vintage rock 'n roll and classical), travel, cuddling and quiet times. Wishing to meet a sincere, warmhearted romantic to communicate and share intimate feelings and affections. Interested? Box 27024, SF 94127 or call ★★3321.

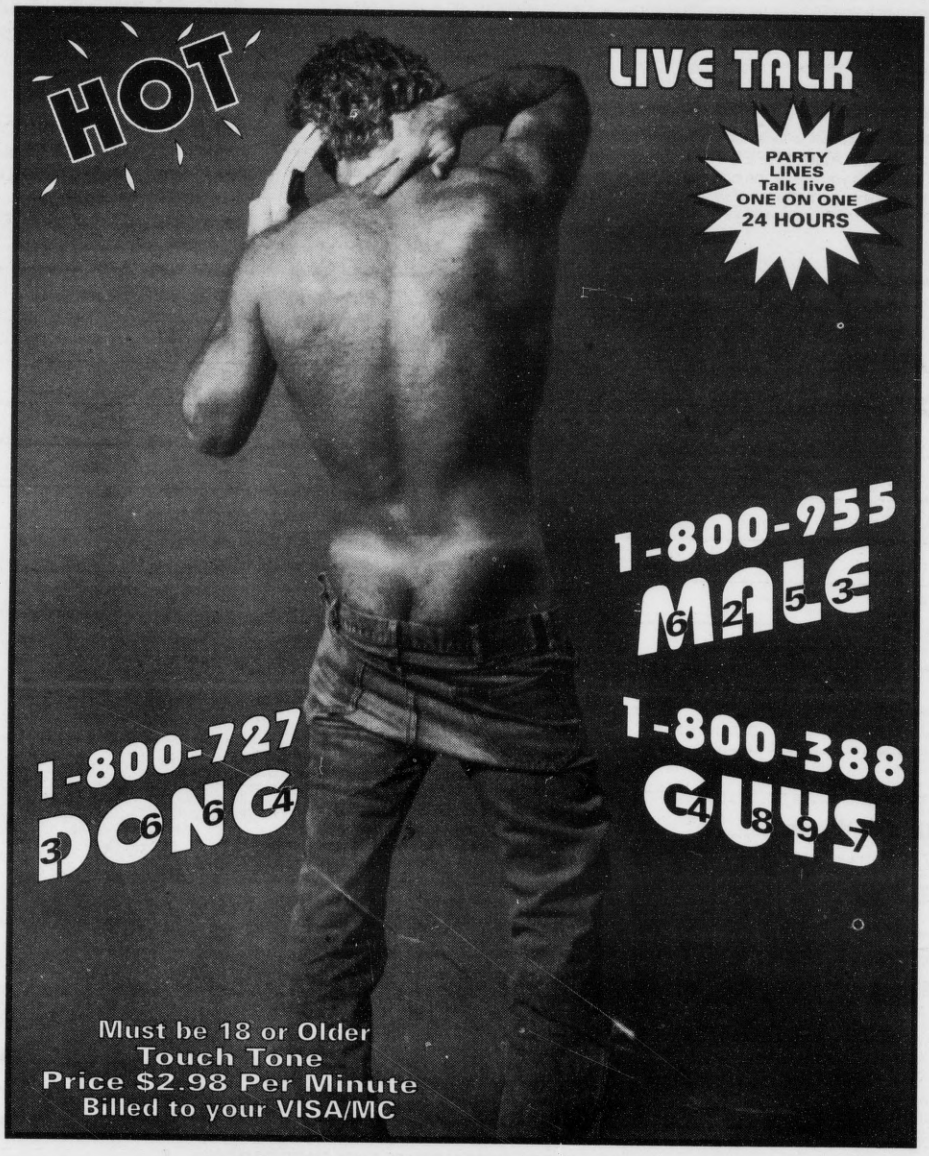
Closing The Gap
Good-looking, tall (6'3"), masculine and muscular WM, 49, professional and stable, HIV+ but healthy, just emerging from long relationship. Seeks cute, younger (25-38) man for romance and possible relationship. Seeking someone masculine and secure who enjoys his occupation/profession, has a good sense of humor, is generally a top in bed, and has genuine interests outside the gay whirl. I am basically home-oriented except for office and daily excursions to gym, but movies and dinners out sound good too. Race or ethnicity not important, but I prefer someone smoke- and drug-free. Reply BT Box DC118C or call ★★3322.

Are You Different Also?
Is there such a person out there who can be a master/dad/lover that seeks to develop a trusting relationship? Can you be a mentor, yet also enjoy the simple pleasure of being with and loving another man? Are you a GWM, 30-45, HIV-, and good-looking? I am 31, 6'3", HIV-, brown eyes and hair, slim, good-looking, submissive and more details about us both we can find out together. I am into leather, collecting boots and uniforms and most areas of S/M, but also I love traveling, good food, nice clothes, the theater, old movies and staying home as well as living within our community. I know I'm different, are you also? Reply BT Box DC119C or call ★★3323.

You're
Sincere, well-educated, communicative and goal-oriented. I'm wholesome, humorous, caring, intellectual and conversant. Honestly attractive GAM (age 22, 5'7", 132 lbs.) seeks attractive, loving GWM/Eurasian (age 20-35) for friendship that catalyzes a long-term, devoted relationship. You're NS, ND. I'm attracted to a clean-cut, cleanshaven look & a well-proportioned body. We enjoy reading, good conversation, classical







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East Bay Guys

I'm 30, 5'11", black hair, brown eyes, Latino guy, looking for someone to have fun and enjoy life. Interests include movies, music, dance and dining out. Looking for someone in the East Bay area (Alameda County or Contra Costa County). Reply BT Box DC121C or call ★★3325.

Mind/Body Split

I have a great mind (writer/PhD), wonderful life experience (France, Africa), decent body (swimming, jogging), a nice face (Burt Reynolds with less hair). GWM, 42, 5'10", 175 lbs., HIV-, looking for companion, 32-45, in-shape, intellectual, creative, HIV-, seeking growth for sex, recreation, friendship. Hikers, CW dancers and men of color a plus but not a requirement. Reply BT Box DC122C or call ★★3326.

Where's My Prince?

Your masculine tenderness holds me tight; my passion keeps you warm; your unassuming naivete stirs my heart; my love unconsummable and eternal; your strength soothes my soul; my vigor protects you from harm. Together, we build a kingdom, one brick at a time. (Well, if we get stuck, we can leverage buy out one.) This Asian prince is big-hearted, valiant, handsome, 26, 155#, 5'10". PO Box 160182, Cupertino 95016-0182 or call ★★3327.

Local Boy Living In Marin

Looking to meet an attractive & masculine GWM in late 20s-early 40s. Me? Good-looking guy in my mid-30s, professional, HIV-. Being far past the bar scene, I have come to appreciate the usual array of life's simple pleasures. To someone special, I offer my attributes: stability, relationship orientation and off-beat sense of humor. Weaknesses to be aware of: classic cars, morning coffee, Sunday football, sideburns and Calvins. Reply BT Box DC123C.

Love Spoken Here...

Yes, it takes guts to answer one of these ads—never know whom you'll meet, but if you don't give it a shot you might spend the holidays alone. So, pick up the phone and give me a call. 43 y.o. GWM, 5'9", 168#, HIV-, blue/blond (bald), trimmed beard. Affectionate, sexy, great sense of humor, financially responsible, ND, NS. Seeking relationship. Call ★★3328.

Have Partner; Need Boyfriend

PWA seeks HIV+ for nonexclusive relationship. I have love in my life; what's missing is physical intimacy. GWM, 44, 5'4", 140#, brown/green, well-built, impishly hot. Homoerotic writer and great storyteller. Politically incorrect radical. Love music (classical to CW), fiction (especially gay), workouts, dancing (yes, I two-step), nipples, toes and butts. Hate shopping. We are both passionate and sexually versatile. NS. Call ★★3329.

Someone Like You?

Where are all the fun, regular guys for dating but open to more? Attractive, professional GWM, 35, 5'9", 148#, HIV-, masculine, fit, thinning blond, NS, social drinker, versatile/bottom, stable and honest. Interests include city life, flicks, dancing, working out, Live 105, Motown, travel, laughter, kissing and safe hot sex. Seeking similar fit (not perfect) man. Extra points for dark hair and/or hairy. Call ★★3330.

Your Photo Gets Mine

Want to exchange hot photos or videos with other guys. Your face in photo not necessary. Send to Boxholder, 2215-R Market St., #473, SF 94114. If you don't want to send a photo, send me a sexy letter, or whatever. Or call ★★3331.

Let's Wrestle!

Hot, strong, tough, bearded, very hairy, 5'8", 150#, experienced wrestler looking for strong-willed, tough-bodied buddies into sweaty, muscle-on-muscle wrestling action. Open to all rules and styles, from tame and friendly freestyle workouts, to all-out, go-for-broke, rough-house battles; in pro gear, jocks, leather, bare-assed; in private gym with mats. Hairy "wrasslin' bears" and Latino luchadores especially welcome, but all challenges accepted. Call ★★3332.

Quest

Looking for greater meaning, continuity and solidarity in your life? So am I! My goal: the right man for eventual lifelong committed love. As a professional (in Oakland), I have friends and even a sense of accomplishment. But I am lonely without the magic of an intimate other. I have a lot of energy for the right person and know what it takes in communicating, accepting and compromising to keep personal connections. I have a spiritual, though not religious, side. In my spare time, I am an avid runner, hiker, bike rider, and do occasional gym workouts. Mostly a top, I can roll over too. I'm 46, 6', 165#, balding, HIV-, confident, masculine and a good listener. You are energetic, thoughtful, HIV-, employed and not looking for sex on the first date! Your interests go beyond yourself and you have experience in making and keeping commitments. Pluses for other spare-time athletes and intellectuals. NS/ND. Reply BT Box DC124C or call ★★3333.

Diaper Date

We meet and go out together to enjoy each other's company. Halfway through the evening maybe in some posh hotel men's room downtown we exchange our wet diapers; you wear mine, I wear yours. Sound ridiculous? Why not. Me: likeable GWM, in-shape, healthy, trim 50s, 30" waist, bald and bearded. You: eager, adventuresome, fun, safe. Call ★★3334.

Seeking Older Gentleman

Asian, 37 years old, highly educated medical professional, swimmer's build, sincere, warm, caring, affectionate, very down-to-earth, who prefers to keep a low profile, seeks older, 60+, cleanshaven, distinguished, grandfatherly, straight-appearing gentleman with a sound background for a warm, intimate friendship. Photo appreciated. Reply BT Box DC125C or call ★★3335.

Bare Feet

Well-built, muscular, mid-30s, GWM, into feet, seeks others into same, or novices who might want to experiment. Reply BT Box DC126C or call ★★3336.

Get real, babe... no scenesters, hipsters, gymsters or hair queens. Just an honest-to-gawd man with eclectic interests in life, music, art & sex sought by one exceptionally real, down-to-earth and handsome man. (27 yrs. old, just in case ya wanted to know)—you should be close! Call ★★3337.

Outdoor Adventurer

Handsome WM, 32, tall and lean, brown/green, HIV-, nonsmoker, looking to meet a masculine guy, under 40, also HIV-, nonsmoker, who enjoys the outdoors. I like mountain/road biking, backpacking and cross-country skiing. I'm intelligent, easygoing, in good shape, professionally employed and want to find a guy who shares similar interests. Interested in dating first; long-term goal is to be in a monogamous relationship. Call ★★3338.

All Welcome, Hirsute Especially Appreciated

I feel playful new sexual connection(s) could help make our good lives richer still. GWM, br/bl, 5'9", trim beard, slender, fit, hairy body, sexually versatile, HIV+, good listener, willing to make the most of any time shared. Living in Sonoma County; in SF weekly. Will travel for right spark. Most attracted to trim-bearded hairy men,. ready smiles, height/weight proportional, but aware that chemistry is what counts, and is sometimes found where least expected. Humor, respect and kindness essential. Photo exchange appreciated. A little shy, I've decided to take this chance in the spirit of good-hearted adventure. Will you? Please reply BT Box DC127C or call ★★3339.

East Bay Ritualistic Phallic Worship

Midnight witching hour is the right time for uninhibited mutual exhibitionism/voyeurism, jerk off, dirty talk—loud & nasty, chanting & repetition with masculine, aggressive guy while drinking, smoking, indulging (share costs 50/50) at my place. Age, looks unimportant. Seeking guys into the above only—nothing more, nothing less. Don't read more into it than the ad states. Inexperienced OK, but desire to try it must be sincere, not silly curiosity! Call ★★3340.

Scrappy Asian Alleycat

GAM, equally at home in the pit, at Crash Worship, Diamanda Galas, butoh, seeks fellow adventurers for sexual mischief and/or cultural exploration. I'm wiry, shaved, sparsely pierced, quick and dextrous, rough or tender, shy or outrageous. I enjoy personalities with an edge, unusual perspectives, dubious reputations and compromising positions in creative locations. Tattoos, piercings, ropes and restraints are appreciated but not required. Call ★★3341.

Bottom Seeks Top

GWM, 42, 134#, 5'8", cute, loving and well-hung. Seeks well-endowed white or Latin top, 30-45, for in-depth sexual and personal relationship. If you are looking for a hot oversexed bottom, I'm your boy, sir! Give me a call and let's get together and do what gay men do best! Call ★★3342.

We Won't Rest Until You Are Satisfied Socially

Next Deadline for All Ads: Jan. 8 for Jan. 14

How To Respond to a "Call Star" Personal Ad

CALL 1-900-844-2-GAY. Using a Touch-Tone phone, you can reply to any ad that has "Call ★★" with a Call Star Extension number. This is your chance to hear the advertiser's voice! Call their extension and leave a personalized message, or see if this sounds like an advertiser you'd like to write to. It's almost as easy as leaving a message on a friend's answering machine. And the advertiser gets your message immediately.

FOLLOW THE EASY INSTRUCTIONS when you call. You can either enter the Call Star Extension of a specific ad that interests you, or you can browse through a variety of greetings and respond to any or all of them. Select the ads you wish to leave messages for and record your responses. Be sure to include your telephone number and the best times to call. Calls cost 96 cents per minute and will appear on your monthly telephone bill.

How To Get a "Call Star" Voice Mail Box

IT'S SIMPLE AND FREE!! You'll automatically get a free voice mail box with your personal ad unless you check the box below. You'll receive a letter from us with your Call Star extension and your secret password, as well as detailed instructions on how to use the system. Remember: recording your greeting and retrieving your messages are **FREE.**

How To Reply by Mail to a SF Bay Times Personal Ad

SEND IN YOUR LETTERS: If the advertiser has a BT Reply Box, send your reply to Bay Times Personals, 288 7th Street, SF 94103. In the lower left hand corner of the envelope place the box number (not the Call Star Extension!) you are answering. Mail boxes remain open for two months; i.e. this issue's ads may be answered through March 14. Voice mail boxes remain open for four weeks.

How To Pick Up Your Written Replies

BT REPLY BOX MAIL PICK-UP: You may pick up your mail Monday through Friday from 1-6pm. If you do not have your own P.O. Box, you must get a BT mail box. Feel free to call us during the regular pick-up hours to find out if you have mail, and please limit your calls to these hours! *You must bring picture I.D. to pick up your mail at the office.*

MAIL BOXES REMAIN ACTIVE FOR 2 MONTHS
VOICE MAIL BOXES REMAIN ACTIVE FOR FOUR WEEKS
MAIL WILL BE FORWARDED WEEKLY

QUESTIONS? Call the SF Bay Times office at (415) 626-8121 and ask for Greta.

SUGGESTED AD CATEGORY (Check One): ☐ **Women** ☐ **Men** ☐ **Bisexual** ☐ **Trans** ☐ **Shared Interests**

HEADLINE: _____

TEXT: _____

_____ ☐ **Reply Bay Times Mail Box**

Total # of Words: _____

☐ Enclose $10 up to 70 words $10.00

☐ Enclose 15 cents per word **over** 70 words:

____ words × 15 cents equals . . . . . ____

☐ Enclose $7 for Reply Mail Box . . . . . ____

☐ Enclose $11 for Reply Mail Box and Mail Forwarding . . . . . ____

COST OF ONE INSERTION . . . . . ____

_____Number of insertions:

Multiply by cost of one insertion for total cost of ad . . . . . ____

Discount for 3 or more insertions: subtract 10% of total cost of ad . . . ____

ENCLOSED TOTAL COST OF AD, INCLUDING ANY DISCOUNTS: $_____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone (weekdays) _____ **(eves)** _____

☐ Check here if it's OK to leave a message on your answering machine if we need to contact you

☐ Check here if you do NOT want a free voice mail box

You may stop by the office at the below address to fill out a coupon. **We cannot take personals by phone, nor can we accept anonymous ads. All information will be kept confidential.**

Mail Coupon To:
SF Bay Times Personals
288 7th Street, SF, CA 94103

NEXT DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 8

WORD COUNTS/PRICE INFO: 'A,' 'and,' 'the,' zip codes, PO Boxes, etc. should all be included in your word counts. There are no refunds for ads. If there is an error in your ad which substantially affects the value of the ad, we will issue you a credit to rerun the ad. If you have submitted an ad which does not fall within our editorial guidelines and we are unable to notify you, we will issue a credit to run a different ad.

ADVERTISING GUIDELINES In placing an ad, you must not use names, telephone numbers or street addresses. The San Francisco Bay Times hopes that you will submit ad copy in keeping with our general editorial policies. Ads should stress those qualities the advertiser finds compatible rather than target specific lifestyles, races or other aspects in a negative manner. We understand the difference between discrimination and personal preference. If your ad does not fall within the realm of our guidelines, we may notify you and allow you to make the necessary alterations. We reserve the right to edit ads. We reserve the right to reject any ad whatsoever.

Remember: speech isn't as free on the telephone as it is in the newspaper. Government regulations forbid the "F-word" recorded on phone lines and other such direct communication. Have fun but be sensible.

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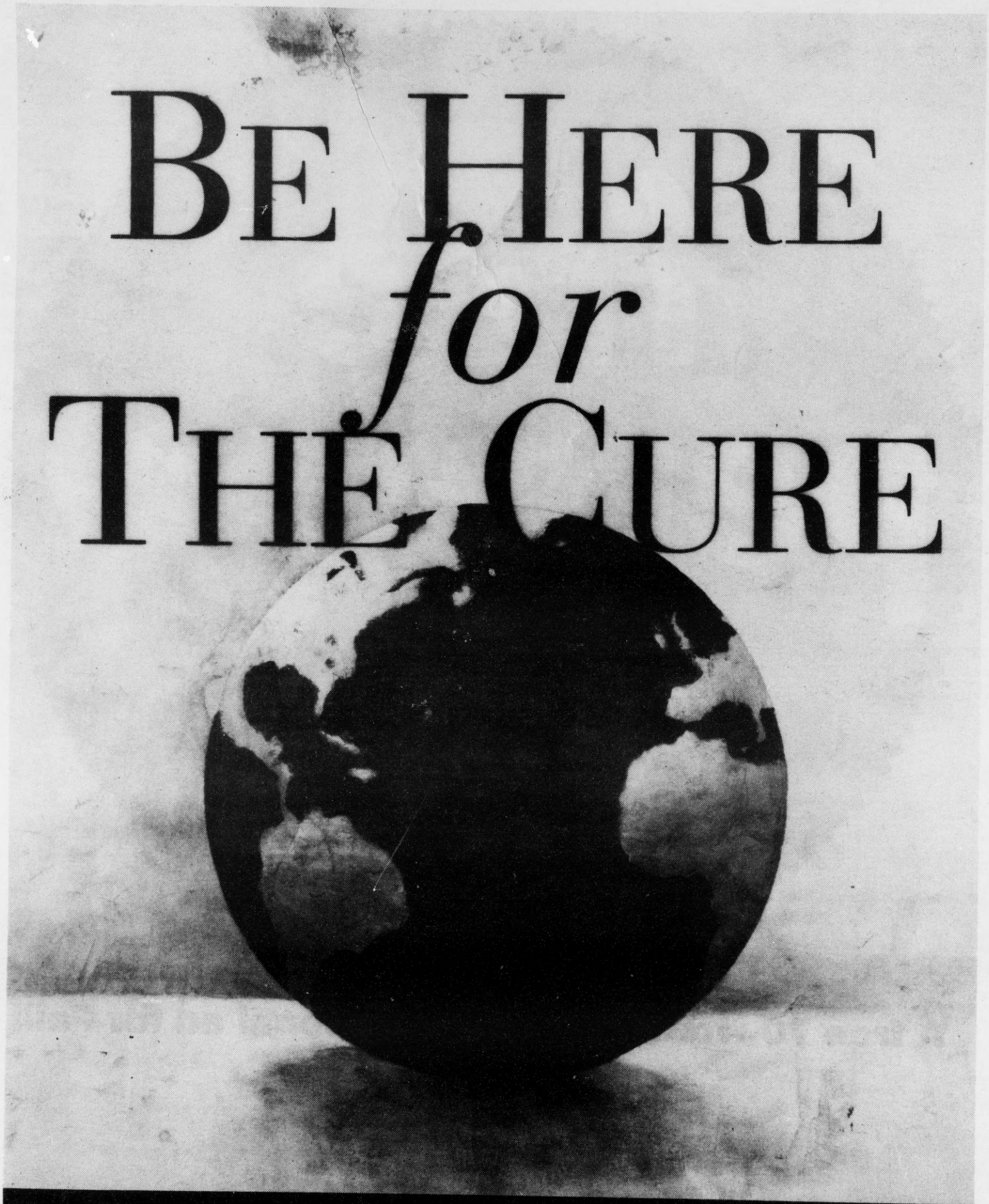
Just fill out the coupon on page 46

and return it to us by January 8. Your ad will appear

by Valentine's Day.

If your ad is longer than 70 words, please include the extra 15 cvents for each word over 70 words. If you want a *Bay Times* Mail Reply Box as well as voice mail, please add the additional $7 (to pick up your mail in our office) or $11 (for weekly mail forwarding), as printed on the coupon.

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